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DR. LORENZ'S PATIENT HAS SERIOUS RELAPSE

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(Special.)—A special from Philadelphia to the World says: Five-year-old Marion Grien, on whom Prof. Lorenz operated last Friday, has had convulsions today and is in a dangerous condition. The Jefferson hospital physicians are not sure that the child can survive. Little Marion was among the five patients chosen to be operated upon at the Thursday clinic, but after four had been treated Dr. Lorenz was exhausted. Marion was under ether for 35 minutes on that day.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

ALVIN—Mr. Sothern in "If I Were King," 8 p. m.

NEW GRAND—New stock company in "Arrahna-Pogue," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

DUQUESNE—Ten acts of Star Vaudeville, 8 p. m.

BIJOU—"A Kentucky Feud," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

EMPIRE—"Over Niagara Falls," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

ACADEMY—Harry Morris' Company in "Night on Broadway," 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—Marcel's pictures and 13 other vaudeville acts; continuous performance from 10 to 10:30 p. m.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE AND ART GALLERIES—Loan exhibition, open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Ice skating.

NEW UNION STEEL COMPANY PARTS WITH ITS PROPERTY FOR $33,000,000 IN BONDS

Negotiations That Have Been Pending for a Long Time Are Finally Completed and the Papers Signed.

NEW RAILROAD TO THE LAKE IS NOW TO BE ABANDONED

Bond Issue of $45,000,000 to Be Made, $10,000,000 to Be Used to Complete Development of the Union Plants.

The United States Steel Corporation finance and executive committees have arranged to take over the interests of the new Union Steel Company, shareholders in which will receive for their properties in 5 per cent bonds an aggregate of between $31,000,000 and $33,000,000. The corporation will have these bonds secured on the Union properties and will guarantee principal and interest.

An issue of $45,000,000 will be provided for the deal, and $10,000,000 will be taken by the shareholders of the Union Steel Company at par to furnish a fund to complete developments of the Union properties. The rest, between $2,000,000 and $4,000,000, will be held for future contingencies.

This deal will put a quietus to much of the aggressive trade plans of the new Union Steel Company, and will make it unnecessary for the Union company to provide for an authorized issue of $25,000,000 bonds of its own.

Railroad to be Abandoned.

It is taken as a foregone conclusion that the steel corporation will also give up the Union company plan of a new independent railroad of 200 miles from Elk Creek harbor on Lake Erie to the plants at Sharon and Donora, and the coking fields.

Articles of agreement were signed by the controlling interests in the Union company or their representatives in the offices of ex-Judge James H. Reed in Pittsburgh last Saturday. It was during the negotiations of these matters that the executives and leading directors of the Steel Corporation remained here Saturday morning, delaying their western inspection trip till noon.

Judge Reed, who had attended the inspection party during the tour of the Pittsburgh district works, remained behind to complete the draft of the articles of the agreement and to secure the signatures of the Pittsburgh representatives of the Union Steel Company.

Local Signatures Secured.

George W. Darr, head of the New York and Pittsburgh brokerage house which till recently was Darr, Moore & Bryden, and who had been president of the Sharon Steel Company, joined the party here Saturday to sign the agreement, in which he was the initial promoter on behalf of the Union Steel Company interests. The signers for the Union Steel Company interests were Andrew W. and Robert B. Mellon, Senator William Flinn, George W. Darr, John Stevenson, Jr., and William H. Donner.

Bearing these signed articles of agreement, Judge Reed left for Chicago Monday night, there to meet former Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the executive committee of the United States Steel Corporation; George W. Perkins of the Morgan interests and chairman of the finance committee of the Steel Corporation, Henry H. Rogers and Norman B. Ream of the finance committee, and William Edenborn, Daniel G. Reid and Charles Steele of the executive committee. The articles were satisfactory to these people as they had been drafted, and in behalf of the corporation they were signed.

Thinks It a Good Bargain.

Then Judge Gary announced the consummation of the deal, declaring that the Steel Corporation had driven a good bargain.

By the deal the Steel Corporation will soon add materially to its short furnace capacity, and will also better its short supply of open-hearth steel. The Union Company was gradually equipping itself for a great production of open-hearth steel, but its necessary supplies of old material were growing scarce and expensive, while the Steel Corporation creates plenty of scrap of its own and is short in open-hearth facilities.

About 10 days ago George W. Barr took up the negotiations with George W. Perkins at New York. The proposition appealed to the head of the finance committee of the corporation, and soon former Senator William Flinn, who was to have been chairman of the board of the Union Steel Company, and the Mellons joined in the negotiations. Acting President James Gayley and Chairman E. H. Gary of the executive committee of the Steel Corporation took part at this juncture, while the Steel Corporation party was on its inspection trip here the Pittsburghers interested in the deal were constantly expecting the announcement of acceptance by the Steel Corporation people. Such announcement was expected last Saturday, when details of the agreement had been telegraphed to Judge Gary at Lorain.

Judge E. H. Gary's Statement.

The statement made by Judge Gary to the Associated press at Chicago last night is as follows:

The finance and executive committees of the United States Steel Corporation, accompanied by the presidents and other prominent officers of the subsidiary companies of the steel corporation, have recently made an inspection of the Union and Sharon steel plants, now controlled by the Union Steel Company, and as a result the finance committee, by direct negotiations, has purchased the same for the steel corporation on the following terms:

These plants, located near Pittsburgh, are on the Monongahela river and at Sharon, Pa., respectively, as they were started some time before the formation of the United States Steel Corporation and not in opposition to it. The properties have rod, wire, nail and other works in operation as going properties. When fully completed they will have modern blast furnaces and 25 open hearth furnaces, capacity to manufacture 7,500 kegs of nails daily, new and modern tube mills, bar mills, tin mills, sheet mills, plate mills, etc.

Valuable Mineral Properties.

They have about 5,000 acres of coking coal in the Connellsville region besides terminal railroads in the coke region, also 6,200 acres of fuel coal, limestone properties and valuable developed ore mines in the Mesaba region and Marquette region, containing about 40,000,000 tons of ore, two lake steamers and steel railroad cars.

The steel corporation pays the exact cost of the manufacturing plants, to be determined by appointed appraisers for that purpose. For the real estate, ore properties and coal lands, they will pay something more than the cost value, but not to exceed the present market value. The treasuries of the Union and Sharon plants agree to furnish about $10,000,000 new cash to be expended in the completion of improvements and further development of the properties in such manner as the steel corporation may determine.

The manner of paying for the property will be by a bond issue of $45,000,000, secured on the property, and principal and interest guaranteed by the subsidiary companies.

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Another Claimant on the Scene.

MILK GOES UP; MEAT STAYS UP

Food Scarcity Given as Reason in One, but Does Not Affect the Other.

TOLL OF PROSPERITY

Milk has jumped up 3 cents a gallon and meat is as dear as ever. Yet the reason given for the advance in one suggests that the other should be cheaper. The scarcity of feed is given as the cause for the increased price of milk, and for the same reason farmers are sending to market large quantities of live stock, which is selling much lower than for months past. Local butchers assert that the cattle is not of sufficiently high grade for Pittsburgh consumers, and therefore does not affect the price of meat in this city.

Prosperity is given as another reason in the advance in milk. Washington, Beaver, Greene and Westmoreland counties used to be liberally dotted with dairy farms. Then came the oil discoveries, and the salt water from the wells polluted the streams and injured the cows. Other farms have been occupied by coke ovens, great manufacturing plants and town sites. In the meantime, the Allegheny county farmer has become an extinct species. Most of the milk now brought to Pittsburgh comes from the Western Reserve in Ohio.

Dealers claim that there is also a milk shortage west of Chicago, due to a poor corn crop.

For some months to come, it is said, consumers of milk and meat will have to pay high prices.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WANTS MORE WARSHIPS

Takes Advantage of Social Occasion to Urge Measures Upon Congressmen.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.

President Roosevelt took the initiative tonight in endeavoring to lead sentiment in congress in the direction of obtaining appropriations for a very considerable increase in the number of new ships for the navy. He did this at a dinner at the White House. Those present were Secretary Moody, Senator Allison, chairman of the committee on appropriations; Senators Hale, Gallinger, Perkins and Hanna, of the senate naval committee; Speaker Henderson and Representatives Cannon, chairman of the committee on appropriations; Foss and Dayton, of the naval committee of the house; Dalzell and Grosvenor, of the ways and means committee, and Gen. Grenville M. Dodge.

The situation in Venezuela at the present time is an object lesson to congress and the citizens of the United States as to the absolute necessity for a far greater navy.

OHIO POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

About One Thousand Dollars in Money and Stamps Taken.

NEWARK, O., Dec. 16.—The postoffice safe at Granville, near here, was dynamited, early this morning, by two or more men, who escaped in a rig stolen from Restaurantkeeper Bailey's barn. The robbers stole tools from William Barrick's blacksmith shop. Two discharges of dynamite were used to wreck the safe, but the men departed with the plunder before anyone reached the office.

The value of the stamps and money taken is between $900 and $1,000.

HARRY MOORE MAY BE NAMED

Citizens Leaders Favor Him for Fusion Candidate for Recorder.

LIVES IN SOUTHSIDE

The South Side may furnish the next recorder of Pittsburgh in the person of Harry Moore of the Twenty-seventh ward. Leaders of the Citizens party consider him good timber and it is probable that he would accept the nomination. His friends believe that he will be satisfactory to the Democrats.

Thomas S. Bigelow expects that the Citizens party will be ready to give the people of Pittsburgh an acceptable candidate for recorder as a Christmas gift. Tonight the Democratic city committee will doubtless authorize the appointment of conferees to meet with those named by the Citizens to select a fusion candidate. It is conceded that the nominee for recorder will be a Republican. It is likewise admitted by the Citizens leaders that they have agreed upon the man they will suggest. There is reason for thinking that the selection is Mr. Moore. As he will no doubt be acceptable to the Democrats the period of conferring need not be lengthy and the Citizens city committee at its meeting Monday night will probably nominate him.

Mr. Moore is well-known in Pittsburgh. He has always lived on the South Side. As president of the Birmingham Traction Company he achieved prominence in the business world. It was by his management that the road became the valuable property it is today. At present he is president of the Hill Top Trust Company and is interested in other business enterprises.

Mr. Moore is not without experience in municipal affairs. Some years ago he was a member of councils and always kept himself well informed in city matters. Perhaps the only city office he ever held was that of superintendent of highways and sewers during Director E. M. Bigelow's last administration. He has always taken an interest in politics and has given a great deal of time to the Citizens party since its organization a year ago. He represents his ward on the city committee.

HARRY MOORE.
South Side man prominently mentioned for Citizens nominee for recorder.

SOLDIER IS SLAIN BY HIS COMRADES

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Mutilated almost beyond recognition the body of Roger Hanberger of Company I, Twentieth United States infantry, was found today in a deep ravine in the southern portion of the reservation at Ft. Sheridan. Hanberger was clubbed to death Monday with the butt of his own musket by two military prisoners, whom he tried to prevent from escaping.

SIGNAL VICTORY FOR THE TUNNEL

New York Aldermen Approve P. R. R. Franchise by Vote of 41 to 36.

BITTER FIGHT ENDED

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Herald Building, Herald Square, NEW YORK, Dec. 16.

Under the spur of public clamor, amid warm enthusiasm, which was intermingled with a few hisses, and despite desperate efforts of the Tammany members to defeat the measure, the Pennsylvania tunnel franchise was passed by the board of aldermen tonight by a vote of 41 to 36.

Final argument on the adoption of the application was keen from the start, and although the vote was very close the friends of the enterprise won a signal victory, inasmuch as its foes, headed by the Tammany leaders in the board, had boasted throughout the day that they would prevent passage of the franchise with at least five votes to spare.

After a motion offered by Alderman Wafer to substitute a minority report, offered by himself, for the majority report had been beaten by a vote of 35 in the affirmative to 42 in the negative, the question of considering the real subject was called up by Alderman Goodman, and although the opponents to the project made vigorous efforts to keep in line the men whom they believed would stand by them to the end, it soon became evident that several of the Tammany members had experienced a sudden change of heart. By their action in not voting until the last call they made it plain to the great throng present at the meeting that the foes of the tunnel were beaten and that the final test would prove the friends of the franchise victorious, though by a very small margin.

The Tammany aldermen, Behrman, Calkin and Caggy, with the aid of Borough President Haffen of the Bronx, made possible the rout of the opposition to the tunnel. The men at the last minute switched to the support of the tunnel adherents. This, however, did not insure favorable action on the project, and it was not until Alderman Malone, a fusionist from Brooklyn, on whom the Tammany leaders had depended for assistance, deserted Aldermen McCall and Sullivan, and the passage of the franchise was effected.

When the vote making possible this great public improvement was announced there was considerable cheering, while the opponents of the scheme made a weak attempt to drown the applause with hisses, which was immediately silenced by President Fornes.

Immediately after the granting of the Pennsylvania franchise the New York and New Jersey tunnel franchise, granting the privilege of entering Manhattan in West street, was taken up and passed by a vote of 45 to 15.

Verdict of Assault and Battery.

ZANESVILLE, O., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Albert C. Swope, who has been on trial for a week on the charge of assault, was found guilty tonight of assault and battery. Swope was a former county commissioner. The prosecuting witness was Miss Ina Hildebrand of Byesville, Guernsey county.

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FIVE POWERS NOW OPPOSED TO VENEZUELA

Spain and Belgium Join Germany, England and Italy in Demands.

GEN. HERNANDEZ GOES TO CARACAS

President Looks to Revolutionary Leader for Help in Present Crisis.

HE IS A POPULAR IDOL

Latest Developments in Venezuela Affair.

Spain and Belgium have joined the other powers in demanding payment of debts by Venezuela.

Secretary Hay has again called the attention of the aggressive powers to the arbitration proposal and requested a prompt answer.

Berlin dispatches declare German opposition to the idea of arbitration.

Recent reports that the action of the allied powers had stilled all revolutionary sentiment in Venezuela are denied and an army of 6,000 is reported to be marching on Caracas to depose President Castro.

South American capitals deny reports that other republics would go to the aid of Venezuela.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
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Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 16.—Spain and Belgium have joined Germany, Great Britain and Italy in making demands upon Venezuela for a settlement of their outstanding claims. Senor Gaythan de Ayala, the Spanish minister to Venezuela, and F. J. S. Goffart, charge d'affaires for Belgium, both presented to the Venezuelan government this morning notes in which it is set forth that in the event of Venezuela making payment of the claims now held against her by the citizens of other powers, Spain and Belgium desire to inform the Venezuelan government that her creditors in those countries are entitled to the same favorable consideration, both kingdoms being included among the most favored nations.

Though the notes are couched in the most courteous language, Dr. Eduardo Dionco, Venezuelan minister of foreign affairs, considers them aggressive in tenor and purpose. Diplomatic relations with European powers, it is felt, are now becoming very strained.

Signor De Riva, the Italian minister, presented Italy's ultimatum to Venezuela at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Signor De Riva has been instructed by his government to present to the government of Venezuela Italy's demand for the immediate payment of $342,000, to meet the Italian claims arising from former revolutions, in the form of an ultimatum.

Ordered to Leave at Once.

As it is known that the Venezuelan government cannot pay the amount demanded, the communication to the minister includes orders to leave Venezuela at once. The ultimatum from Italy is couched in stronger terms than those used in the ultimatum presented to Venezuela by Great Britain and Germany. Italy will take part in the future demonstrations against Venezuela.

The interests of Italy in Venezuela will be placed in the hands of United States Minister Bowen. The Italian shield over the legation door will be removed from the building and instructions will be sent to all Italian consuls in use to remove the shields over their consulates. This step will be taken in order that the rupture between Italy and Venezuela may be apparent.

LA GUAYRA, Dec. 16.—The American steamer Merida, belonging to the Red D line of New York, arrived here this morning at half past 9 o'clock from Willemstad, Curacao. On board the Merida were "El Mocho" Hernandez, the revolutionary general who was recently released by President Castro from prison at Maracaibo, and R. Schunck, British consul at La Guayra, who on the morning of December 10 was escorted with his family from the consulate to the British cruiser Retribution by marines from that vessel.

Receives Popular Welcome.

Long before the arrival of the Merida the streets and piers of La Guayra were filled with a great crowd awaiting the arrival of "El Mocho." The people were orderly. "El Mocho" disembarked from the Merida at 9 o'clock. The train run by the harbor corporation from where steamers tie up to the pier to the customs house waited as usual for the Mer-

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UNCLE SAM URGES PEACEFUL METHOD

Allies Apparently Undecided Whether to Accept Proposal.

FEELING THEIR WAY

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.

Cable messages have been passing all day between the state department and the United States ambassadors at London, Berlin and Rome and between Secretary Hay and Minister Bowen at Caracas in an endeavor to make some headway in bringing about arbitration of the claims of the three European powers now united in coercing Venezuela. We have asked them a second time to consider arbitration. Minister Bowen has not been heard from in 24 hours except to make an inquiry. The subject of this could not be learned, but it is understood to have reference to what position he should assume in view of certain eventualities which might arise in consequence of the virtual war which the allies are pressing on President Castro's government.

The situation, internationally speaking, is very much in a fog. I can announce on high authority that the outlook is no worse than it was yesterday, so far as the United States being dragged into the muddle is concerned. We still see no ground for intervention, although we do very emphatically doubt the wisdom and good sense of Germany, Great Britain and Italy continuing a debt-collecting expedition with high power guns against a republic that is bankrupt, and, so far as its seaports are concerned, defenseless.

The murkiness of the international atmosphere is caused by apparent indecision among the three powers themselves as to what steps they ought to take. This government does not know yet whether a blockade is to be established or not.

The state department has been a good deal impressed with the change of public sentiment in this country regarding Castro. Ever since he became dictator he has been represented in this country as a mere military adventurer, disposed to treat all foreigners and all foreign creditors with contempt and having only the purpose of enriching himself. But since German and British ships began to sink Venezuelan gunboats and bombard Venezuelan ports for the purpose of collecting debts the American sympathy has swung around to Castro. This is undoubtedly due to the fact that the support of the Monroe doctrine is involved.

The definite promise of Great Britain and Germany, relative to the Monroe doctrine, is now shared in by Italy. Today the Italian minister called upon Secretary Hay and informed him that his government would act with Great Britain and Germany in the collection of claims against the Venezuelan government. He also took occasion to promise specifically that nothing would be done contrary to the principles of the Monroe doctrine. Upon this assurance Secretary Hay acceded to his request that Minister Bower should take charge of Italian interests at Caracas, providing Venezuela should recognize him as the representative of Italy.

No surprise would be caused here by the reception of the news at any minute that Germany and her allies in Venezuelan waters had seized the islands of Margerita and Coche under guise of temporarily controlling the valuable pearl fisheries of the latter and the pearl market of the former. Margarita is always a point for suspicion when German ships are near there.

Germany has long desired to get a coaling station on that island. Two years ago the cruiser Vineta made surveys of the island, took soundings of the harbors and inhabitants believed then that she was making every preparation to seize the island or acquire it by diplomatic arrangement with Venezuela. The pearl fisheries are a source of considerable profit to Venezuela. They are probably the only paying asset the country has.

BURGLARS AT WORK IN WOOD STREET

Surprised While in Wolff, Lane & Co.'s Store Early This Morning.

Burglars entered the hardware store of Wolff, Lane & Co., at No. 304 Wood street, shortly after midnight, but were frightened away before they were able to secure much plunder. They had packed up considerable hardware to carry away, but were compelled to leave it in their flight.

The burglars entered the building from under the front window in Wood street. They first knocked out the wooden framework under the display window and then slid down into the cellar, and from there they easily made their way to the main store room.

While the thieves were packing up several hundred dollars' worth of hardware, preparatory to taking it away, Policeman John Stuart passed the store and noticed the framework knocked from under the store window. He started to make an investigation, and jumped into the cellar.

The burglars evidently heard the officer landing on the cellar floor, and hurried to the front door. This they pulled open and jumped over the wire gate into the street and made their escape. The officer said that before he entered the cellar he tried the front door and found it fastened.

Word was sent to the bureau of detectives, and Detectives John Roach and Edward Kennedy went to the hardware store to make an investigation.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN ENDS HIS ENGAGEMENT

DETROIT, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—With a whoop, a yell, a crash of broken furniture and a glorious jag, John L. Sullivan, former heavyweight champion pugilist of the world, terminated his theatrical engagement in Detroit tonight. Yesterday afternoon he got his start, meeting a number of old friends in a well-known downtown resort and drinking his several bottles of champagne to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne." The taste of the juice of the grape was too much for the old pugilist and he cut loose.

LAURA BIGGAR MAKES FIGHT OF HER LIFE

Faces Charges, Which, If Proved, Will Cause Loss of Name and Fortune.

WISHED TO PLEAD AS MRS. BENNETT

Lawyers Haggle Long Over This Point Which Is Decided Against Her.

ESTATE IS OVER-VALUED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

Freehold, N. J., Dec. 16.—Facing her accusers with a wan face, Laura Biggar, in the court of quarter sessions today, was compelled to listen in helpless inaction while a web of evidence was being woven, the object of which is to disclose the part it is charged she and others took in an alleged conspiracy to obtain control of the estate of the late Henry M. Bennett.

With her was her young son, for whose sake she has declared she consented to devote five years of her life to the man whose widow she now says she is. Beside her sat Samuel Stanton, a former justice of the peace of Hoboken, whose testimony that she married Bennett and Miss Biggar in 1898 has been challenged, and who is under indictment for perjury as well as for a part in the alleged conspiracy. On the other side were Dr. C. C. Hendricks, the man who conducted the sanitarium at Bayonne, where, it is maintained, a child, whose father was Henry M. Bennett, was born to Miss Biggar last July, and, Dr. Hendricks' wife, with her six-year-old boy.

Both Hendricks and Stanton were in the custody of Constable Strong, neither of them having been able to obtain the bail under which they were held. Miss Biggar, however, was free to come and go as she pleased, bail for her appearance having been provided when she surrendered herself a few weeks ago.

Miss Biggar's Lawyers.

Looking after the interests of the alleged conspirators were four attorneys, whose names had not been disclosed until the trial was begun today. They are Joseph M. Noonan, formerly assistant prosecutor of Hudson county; Aaron Johnson, formerly prosecutor of Monmouth county; Frank P. McDermott of Freehold, and former Assemblyman William Heisley of Hoboken. Mr. Foster, public prosecutor for Monmouth county, with Edmund Wilson of Red Bank as counsel, was the man upon whom fell the brunt of the attack on the reputation and liberty of the alleged conspirators. Near at hand, though not taking an active part in the trial, were John S. Ferguson of Pittsburgh, E. W. Arrowsmith of Freehold, Alexander C. Young of Hoboken and other lawyers who represent various interests in the Bennett estate.

Over the objections of the attorneys for the alleged conspirators, who sought to have the actress described as Mrs. Bennett and not as Miss Biggar, the main facts in the alleged conspiracy were finally brought before the jury. So insistent, in fact, were Miss Biggar's lawyers, that almost the entire afternoon session had to be devoted to a reading of a stenographic report of the testimony of Stanton and Hendricks, taken at Long Branch, in the course of which they gave evidence that Bennett and Miss Biggar had been married, and produced a marriage certificate, which is declared by the prosecution to be a fraud, the very stone on which it was lithographed not having been prepared, it is maintained, until a year and a half after the date of the certificate offered in evidence.

Upon the question whether Bennett and Miss Biggar actually were married, it is alleged, depends the outcome of the trial. No attempt will be made to bring in the question of the posthumous child said to have been born to Miss Biggar in Dr. Hendricks' sanitarium, except so far as the prosecution will use the contention of the defense on this point to build up its case of conspiracy against Miss Biggar and the other defendants.

Value of Estate is $300,000.

What may be the result of the present criminal trial, that question has been disposed of. Miss Biggar having withdrawn her claim as Bennett's wife in September and resting her entire case now on the actual provisions of the will. One of these provisions is that a contest shall invalidate the claim of the contestant, but it was admitted today by attorneys for the other heirs that in any event there would be no further contest on that point. One reason perhaps, for this is that even as the will stands, it will be at least five years before Miss Biggar realizes anything of importance from the estate, which one of the executors, John W. Hawkins of Asbury Park, testified today was worth not 5 million or more, as has been believed, but only about $300,000. Of this Miss Biggar's share is in great part in connection with the theater in Pittsburgh. This is mortgaged for $200,000. Mr. Hawkins said, and before anything is paid to Miss Biggar or the other heirs the mortgage must be cleared on. For this five years has been allowed and Mr. Hawkins thought that even this length of time might be insufficient. It was said that Miss Biggar, even if successful in fighting the present charge against her, could not reasonably expect to receive more than a few thousand dollars for a long time to come.

NOW SENDS MESSAGES TO POLDHU, ENGLAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(Special.)—A special cable from London to the Sun says: "A news agency dispatch from Rome says that Capt. Livione, Signor Marconi's representative there, has received a letter from Signor Marconi, dated 10 days ago, saying that he is now in perfect communication with the wireless telegraphy station at Poldhu, Cornwall, and that he can receive and transmit several dispatches [illegible] which are perfectly clear."

ATTORNEY WANTS $200 DAMAGES FOR AN INARTISTIC HAIR-CUT

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CANTON, O., Dec. 16.—John E. Palmer, an attorney, today brought suit against Oliver Lenhart, a barber, for $200 damages for an alleged bad hair cut. Palmer alleges that he entered Lenhart's shop on December 3 to have his hair trimmed. All of the employes being busy, Palmer says he sat down in one of the barber chairs and fell asleep.

Before he awoke one of the barbers began to cut his hair and used a pair of clippers. Palmer's hair on both sides of his head was clipped very close. The petition sets forth that his hair was cut in a very inartistic manner and that he has been the object of ridicule among the practicing attorneys of Canton and among his friends generally.

"HONEY" O'NEIL'S DIAMOND STREET SPEAKEASY WAS ALSO VISITED

Companion Dive to That of "Peasey" Richardson.

VICE AND THE LAW ON EASY TERMS

Feature of This Disreputable Joint Is an Exhibition of Shocking Pictures.

WRATH IN THE DIAMOND

Another place in Diamond street complained of as a low resort in which vice and the law, the latter impersonated but not sustained by the Pittsburgh bureau of police, wink at each other and seem to be on the most friendly of terms, is "Honey" O'Neil's, on the second floor of No. 231. This is the place referred to by "Emma, the Queen of the Diamond," who introduced herself to Gazette reporters who were inspecting "Peasey" Richardson's speakeasy at No. 227 Diamond street, as told of in yesterday's issue of The Gazette. To show her appreciation of the favor shown to her in the shape of several drinks, Emma volunteered to act as a guide to "Honey" O'Neil's speakeasy.

Degraded People Gather There.

O'Neil's resort is certainly one of a most disorderly character. Some shocking scenes can be witnessed there. Low women, both old and young, touts and short-change men, petty thieves, degraded persons not worthy of the name of men, who do nothing but what is vicious and who are supported principally by abandoned women who find in them something that seems to infatuate them, are frequenters of O'Neil's speakeasy.

O'Neil's place began to do business last winter and did a rushing trade—licensed saloonists in the vicinity say that his trade and also that of "Peasey" Richardson, equals that of the best licensed houses in the Diamond—until July 4 last, when "Honey," awaking to the fact that many strangers were in the city to see President Roosevelt, got outside the wide latitude the police had allowed him by engaging in a little diversion. Some say it was a shell game, and that when the policeman on the beat butted in and wanted to know what was doing, that "Honey" got abusive. Anyhow, he was arrested and locked up.

McAleese Had a Chance to Learn.

But he did not stay locked up very long. Active politicians in the lower wards got busy and Magistrate B. McKenna let O'Neil go without even a reprimand. This arrest, it is supposed, gave Superintendent of Police John McAleese some inkling into the nature of the disreputable business "Honey" carries on, even supposing that he did not know before; and that, by the way, is a very violent supposition. No man in Pittsburgh knows better than McAleese just what the present rotten condition of affairs is, yet he puts up the excuse that he has to spend so much time in his office that he cannot keep fully posted as to what is going on.

"Honey" did some work in a political way previous to the November election, and after the election he was allowed to reopen his joint without any apparent restrictions. From what Gazette reporters saw, it is evident that everything is allowed to go.

Vile Exhibition of Pictures.

In addition to the drinking rooms in O'Neil's place, there is a room set apart where pictures of the most degrading, degenerate character are exhibited for the sum of 25 cents. The subjects are mostly nude and the postures in which they were photographed are shockingly indecent.

The revenue from this room is almost constant. Women insist on taking their companions into the room to see the revolting exhibition. The police know that these pictures are exhibited, as was demonstrated when The Gazette's representatives left the place. In Diamond street a patrolman was encountered, and he pleasantly inquired: "Well, boys, did you see the pictures?"

O'Neil's place is entered through a hallway between the "Arcade" and the red painted buildings adjoining. Emma, the favorite of Diamond street, led the way. As the second flight of stairs was approached this sign was read on the glazed glass in the door:

"Third Ward Republican Club."

Emma Carried a Key.

Emma had a key to the place. When in "Peasey" Richardson's she volunteered the information that "all the girls" had keys to "Honey's" place. Entrance being had by means of a key, no "lookout" is considered necessary at "Honey's" place. It is assumed that only those who have keys can gain entrance, and that these key bearers will guarantee those they escort thither to be lamb-like. On the night The Gazette men visited the place several cabs were standing in the street below for the convenience of O'Neil's patrons.

There are several rooms used for drinking purposes in this speakeasy. There is one large hall for the exclusive use of men. Tables are placed about the room, and when the reporters entered the place there were some 30 men sitting around and drinking.

Emma conducted these with her to the rooms in the rear, where there are accommodations for women and those with them who have a thirst. Emma was cordially welcomed as she made her appearance. One of the most effusive welcomes was given by Kate McCoy of First avenue, who was gorgeously attired in a black satin costume, and who wore many diamonds on her fingers. She had been drinking considerable, as had most of the other women in the room.

Had to Wait on "Honey."

"Emma, did you bring the boys in here to see the pictures?" she inquired, "cause if you did, you want to go slow, Honey has been drinking and he's in there taking a snooze and won't stand being waked up. Sorry, boys, but you can't see the pictures now."

The wants of the patrons of this room were attended by a waiter called "Frenchy." He is a short, stout fellow, with close cropped red hair. "Frenchy" knows his business. The moment the party was seated liquids were on the table. In addition to attending to the wants of the patrons "Frenchy" has to act as "bouncer" of the women. When any of them by reason of having drank too much get too noisy, "Frenchy" has the unpleasant task of ejecting them from the building.

The room was filled with smoke and the odor of stale beer and whisky. When The Gazette party were in this room there were nine women and five men. All were drinking and playing the slot gambling machines.

Later a cheer rang through the room. "Honey" O'Neil had awakened from his slumbers. As he came out of the room in which he had been sleeping he was cordially greeted by nearly every person in the room. Hardly had he passed into the general drinking room until there was a wild rush for the room he had vacated, to see the pictures. As the last of the men who were in the company of the women paid the 25 cents admission, men came hurrying from the large drinking hall to view the disgusting photographs.

Big Trade Is Done.

Beer and whisky are sold in O'Neil's place on a large scale. It is said that a business of $250 a night is done there. In the absence of "Honey" the place is conducted by his brother, Michael O'Neil.

During the course of the evening Kate McCoy got so noisy and enthusiastic that she felt called upon to propose a toast. Standing on a chair and slopping foaming beer over her satin gown she shouted:

"Here's to McAleese. He can do us no harm, the ——"

This was met with the approval of the other occupants of the rooms. Then Kate McCoy drew her chair to the reporter's table and was confidential.

"This is a protected joint now," she said. "No more arrests will be made here. Will they, Emma?"

"No," said Emma. "The police are dead ones."

The large hall is fitted up nicely and neatly. The walls are adorned by two large paintings of nude women sleeping on couches. These are considered a special attraction of the place.

A Policeman's Gentle Query.

While the reporters were looking about this room, there was a sound of shuffling feet and oaths in the hallway. A fight had started. Emma had knocked a young man down because he said she was drunk. After the noise had subsided and peace had been restored by "Frenchy" and Michael O'Neil, a police officer put his head in the haliway and asked if anything was wrong.

"Everything is quiet," replied "Frenchy."

Before The Gazette men took their leave of Emma she told them something about the relations existing between the police and her friend, "Honey," as she understood them.

"Honey pays for his protection," she said. "The money is turned over to the ward leader and is passed along the line. The policeman gets his bit, the officials of the department get theirs, but John McAleese is square. He don't take a cent.

"Director Leslie of the department of public safety ought to know everything that is going on here, for I have seen close relatives of his in here. The 'graft syndicate' was never so active as now; more money is being got out of the joints than ever."

Disclosures Caused Sensation.

The publication in yesterday's issue of The Gazette of a description of the interior of "Peasey" Richardson's open speakeasy over the "Arcade" at No. 227 Diamond street, caused a sensation in several directions. Respectable citizens were astounded at the extent vice and general depravity are permitted by the police to flourish almost under their very noses. Many respectable people had an idea that the police were permitting Pittsburgh to be a wide-open city, but they had not been brought to a realization of the loose license allowed. Learning from The Gazette just how open and barefaced things are allowed to go, there was only one conclusion drawn and that was that there is "graft" somewhere and that somebody is getting it.

Wrath in Diamond Street.

In Diamond street the wrath and indignation was fierce. That any interference should be attempted in their vicious avocations was something the despicable crew who cater to others just as depraved as themselves, could not understand. Profanity made the air fairly blue and threats of what was going to happen to certain people were freely passed around. It is a fact that the protected vice gang count on the protection given them to that extent that they would scarcely hesitate to carry out their threats, were they certain they could get safely away afterwards.

At the public safety palace the profanity was almost as strong as in Diamond street. Every official cussed under his breath and said it was a shame that "Peasy" had to be roasted. The high officials, Recorder Brown, who is ever ready to step forward and declare that he is the enemy of "the thug, the thief and the gambler,' but whose administration has not yet furnished any noteworthy proof of this declaration: Director A. H. Leslie, of the department of public safety, who is always putting up to somebody else the matter of stopping or correcting things, and Supt. McAleese, the man with many an "I," tells what he did 15 years ago and what he is going to do—this notable trio of conservators of morals and good order, all got off their usual declarations. But they did not do anything else. Richardson's place was going as usual, at 10 o'clock last night. Here is a sample McAleese utterance:

McAleese Simply Talks.

"If a resort of the kind described is in existence, it will not be doing business tomorrow. No protection is granted to such places by the police department of Pittsburgh, and I do not know of a single person receiving money from one of those resorts."

Capt. Charles K. Gallant was present when the superintendent said this. "I passed the place this afternoon," said the captain, "and as far as I could see no speakeasy was in operation. I don't believe that one is running."

"I am investigating The Gazette's account," added McAleese, "and if I find that any such place is in operation I will close it and make the necessary charges against the proprietor, whoever he may be."

Last night the superintendent was asked what had been done toward the suppression of "Peasy" Richardson's place, and he replied: "I told Inspector Frederick Will what to do. I instructed him to investigate the charges carefully, and if he found that a disorderly resort, a speakeasy, was in operation at the place designated by The Gazette, he was to suppress it and to arrest the guilty persons. No such place can operate with my knowledge."

Then, getting back onto his old lines, McAleese said:

What McAleese Used to Do.

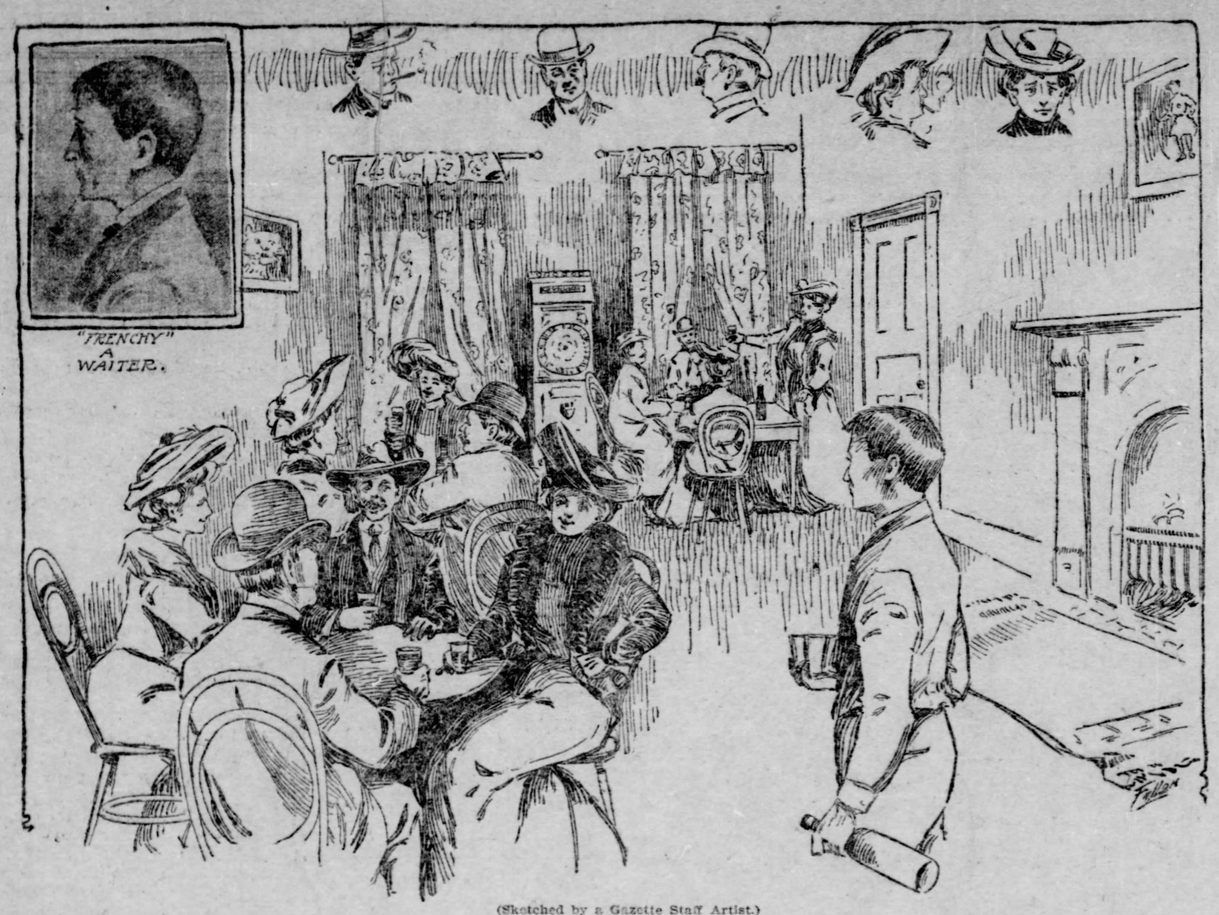
"Disorderly houses can be regulated now just as easily as they were twelve or fifteen years ago, when I first started in this work. Then we had them under our control, and in a number of ways they were of great service to us. Many a young girl is now a respected wife and mother who would not be if we did not have a working arrangement with them. There have been hundreds of young girls saved simply because when they sought admission to these houses the proprietress would notify us and we would send down and get the girl and restore her to her home without any publicity or disgrace attaching to her. The same condition should exist today and the police officials should regulate these places and restrict them to certain districts. Present conditions in this city are entirely different from what they were then, and the thing is not done."

Director Leslie, of the department of public safety, and Recorder Brown agreed in saying it is the plain duty of Supt. McAleese to at once investigate and close Richardson's place.

Director Leslie Has a Dream.

Director Leslie said: "The case belongs to Supt. McAleese, but you can rest assured that the place will not be long in operation. We will close it just as soon as we get the evidence.

"We are going to run a tight city, and to this end Supt. McAleese has instructions to investigate all cases and prosecute the same where the evidence is sufficient to convict. A few years ago there were two resorts in the same neighborhood. Both places had licenses, but they were run on the same principle as this is said to be run. We had their licenses revoked and closed the places. Gamblers must give the city a wide berth and every resort of the nature must be closed. Just as soon as the police can secure any evidence against the place it will be closed."



(Sketched by a Gazette Staff Artist.)

Interior of One of the Rear Rooms of "Honey" O'Neil's Speakeasy, Where Disreputable Women Congregate to Drink.

TWO VARYING BLASTS OF HOT AIR FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY PALACE

Leslie and McAleese on The Gazette's Exposure of "Peasey" Richardson's Speakeasy.

Director Leslie said:

The case belongs to Supt. McAleese, but you can rest assured that the place will not be long in operation. We will close it just as soon as we get the evidence. We know of no gambling going on, and believe we have done a great deal to keep it out. We are going to run a tight city, and to this end Supt. McAleese has instructions to investigate all cases and prosecute the same where the evidence is sufficient to convict. A few years ago there were two resorts in the same neighborhood. Both places had licenses, but they were run on the same principle as this is said to be run. We had their licenses revoked and closed the places. Gamblers must give the city a wide berth, and every resort of the nature mentioned must be closed. Just as soon as the police can secure any evidence against the place it will be closed.

Supt. McAleese said:

We have no knowledge of any such place and I reiterate what I said yesterday, that there is no protection granted to any of these places on the part of the police department of this city, and I do not know of a single person receiving any money from any one of these resorts in return for this alleged protection, or for any other reason.

Disorderly houses can be regulated now just as easily as they were 12 or 15 years ago, when I first started in this work. Then we had them under our control, and in a number of ways they were of great service to us. Many a young girl is now a respected wife and mother who would not be if we did not have a working arrangement with them. The same condition should exist today, and the police officials should regulate these places and restrict them to certain districts. Present conditions in this city are entirely different from what they were then, and the thing is not done.

ALL STATE TROOPS AT THE INAUGURAL

Entire Division May Attend Induction Into Office of Governor Pennypacker.

The induction into office of Gov. Samuel W. Pennypacker on January 20 will be as ceremonial as that of his predecessors. While the inaugural committee has not yet been appointed and will not be until after the opening of both houses, it can be safely stated that the military ceremonies in connection with the inauguration will be on a grand scale.

Three brigades of infantry, with cavalry and artillery, will assemble in Harrisburg the night previous to the inaugural ceremonies and will conduct the governor-elect to the capitol, where the oath of office will be administered. The troops will form a hollow square and after the ceremony will be dismissed to their quarters.

There will be at least 5,000 infantry, cavalry and artillery in line. It is expected that the Tenth, Fourteenth and Eighteenth infantry, and Battery B of the Second brigade, will take part, and the same number of troops from the First and Third brigades. As the troops will form a division, they will be under command of Maj. Gen. Charles Miller, and the brigades under their ranking officers.

It is possible that the entire division may attend the inaugural ceremonies, but this will depend on the committee. If quarters can be secured, all the troops will be present.

"We want the entire national guard at this inauguration," said a member of the committee who helped to arrange the inaugural ceremonies for Gov. Stone. Gov. Pennypacker is the people's governor and should be inducted into office with all the pomp due to the position. I think the entire state force will be called out to attend this inauguration."

ATTORNEY GENERAL IS IN HARNESS ONCE MORE

Returns from Florida Vacation Refreshed and Ready for Any Contingency.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.

Attorney General Knox is back from Florida in excellent health and will resume duty in the department of justice tomorrow. He arrived this morning and was seen at his home this evening by The Gazette correspondent. In discussing the various reports of his health, Mr. Knox said:

"I was a little tired and simply took a rest. My health is good. There was nothing at all the matter with it when I went away. I believe in taking a rest once in a while. My trip was pleasant and refreshing, that's all there was to it and all other statements to the contrary were exaggerations."

In appearance Mr. Knox is hale and hearty and in the best of health.

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DEMOCRATS ARE TO MEET THIS EVENING

City Committee Will Name Fusion Conferees and Fix Date for the Primaries.

The Democratic city committee meets tonight to fix dates for primaries and a city convention to nominate a recorder. It will also be called upon to authorize the appointment of a committee to arrange fusion with the Citizens.

There have been rumors that George W. Guthrie intends to resign as chairman of the city committee. His friends deny the story. Mr. Guthrie is greatly interested in the fusion movement, and it is believed that he will continue at the head of the Democrats during the campaign.

Friends of Judge Robert S. Frazer believe that he will be appointed to the vacancy on the supreme court bench. District Attorney John C. Haymaker is picked as the probable successor of Judge Frazer. The appointments would be made by Gov. Stone. It is understood that Judge Frazer will want some assurance that the next Republican state convention will nominate him for the full term before he will accept.

Committees from the Democratic and Republican divisions of the Citizens party in Homestead met last night and tried to select a fusion ticket. The Democrats wanted to control the affair and the Republicans would not agree with them. The Republicans were represented by H. Baker, William Stark, John Kerr, William Tunstell, James Winner, and the Democrats by P. J. Nau, W. S. McConegly, William Carr, John E. Silveus and W. A. Kessler.

Tunnel Victim Number Four Is Dead.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 16.—James Ossman of Williamsport, Pa., died today as a result of injuries received in the explosion in the water works tunnel last Sunday. This makes four fatalities among those injured in the accident. It is believed that the other men injured will all recover.

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COUNCILS MEET NEXT MONDAY

Called to Consider Appropriation Ordinance and to Transfer Funds.

QUARANTINE MEN ANGRY

Guards Threaten to Go on a Strike Unless They Are Soon Paid—Leslie Asks Recorder to Issue Call to Provide Money.

A special meeting of councils will be held next Monday to receive the annual appropriation ordinance for 1903 and to authorize a transfer of funds from the police and fire bureaus to pay off the quarantine guards, who threaten to go on a strike unless they get their November salaries.

William H. Stevenson, chairman of the finance committee, stated yesterday that the appropriation ordinance, including all the items recommended by Recorder Brown and his cabinet, would be framed and submitted to councils at its next meeting. He said that the ordinance would be referred to the finance committee, and when it emerges from that committee it will not be recognized by the recorder and others advocating $11,000,000 appropriations and a 28-mill tax levy.

The usual course, heretofore, when the machine-controlled councils was to frame an appropriation ordinance in accordance with the views of the organization leaders, then present it to councils and put it through without any ceremony.

Keating Prepared Old Ordinances.

Anthony Keating, now clerk at the Central police station, was always selected to make up the appropriation ordinance which was adopted by the finance committee in secret session before it had been presented to councils. The 1903 ordinance will follow the usual course of all papers.

Controller Larkin, Assistant Controller Morrow and Chairman Stevenson are preparing data which they will present to the finance committee, when it meets next week to consider the estimates of Recorder Brown's cabinet.

"Recorder Brown has said that all his estimates are necessary and councils will pass upon them," said Chairman Stevenson. Chairman Stevenson stated, however, that he did not believe that the appropriations next year would be any larger, and probably not as large, as this year. A reduction of the millage cannot be made or even the present millage maintained if the appropriations are increased.

There will be a radical change made in the method of making appropriations when next year's ordinance is adopted. Instead of appropriating lump sums for different bureaus every appropriation will be made for a specific purpose. The new system will enable the city controller or other officials to ascertain at a glance what is being done with the money of the city and prevent an arbitrary transfer from one fund to another.

Quarantine Guards Angry.

The quarantine guards are much displeased because they cannot get their salaries for November, owing to the lack of funds in the bureau of health. They do not hesitate to express their discontent in emphatic terms.

A number who called at the controller's office yesterday and were told that they could not get their warrants until councils made some provision to pay them, stated that they would leave their posts and allow the inmates in quarantined houses to escape. They gathered in groups in the controller's office and decided that unless their Christmas money was soon forthcoming that they would seek other employment.

Director Leslie has asked Recorder Brown to call a meeting of councils next Monday to make a transfer of about $50,000 to the health bureau.

ANOTHER BIG DEAL IN OIL AND GAS LAND

Large Acreage in Noble County, O., Secured by Pennsylvanians.

A deal for a three-fourths' interest in a large acreage of oil and gas-producing territory, and a gas plant in Noble county, O., has been closed at Marietta. The property involved is a three-fourths' interest in the John S. Dunn Company, and the purchasers are George White of Pittsburgh and Robert McKelvey of Titusville.

The property consists of leases on 1,500 acres of territory on which are 32 producing oil wells and five gassers. The oil wells have a settled net production of 60 barrels a day and are in fine condition. The gas plant consists of a pipe line system extending from the field to Caldwell, the county seat, and Elba, Dexter City and South Oliver, where gas is supplied for domestic consumption. The consideration was $75,000.

The production in this territory is derived principally in the Macksburg 500-foot sand, and a small portion in the Berea grit. The leases have been only partly developed, and it is the purpose of the new owners to begin and continue active operations till the territory has been drilled over.

For some time a deal has been on between New York parties and Cameron & Sons for the purchase of the latter's producing property in Washington and Morgan counties, O. The property is the largest and most valuable of any in the shallow sand territory in the counties named. It consists of leases on several thousands of acres in which are many producing wells, with an output of 800 to 1,000 barrels a day.

Negotiations for the purchase had so far progressed that the price, $400,000, it is said, was agreed upon, and the New York contingent sent its representative to Marietta to close up the deal. The representative brought with him a certified check for $100,000, which was to be the first payment, and deposited it in a Marietta bank. Whether or not the terms on which the deferred payments were to be made had been previously agreed to is not stated, but at any rate, Cameron & Sons, it is said, demanded the execution of a chattel mortgage on the entire property. The New York representative had not the authority to assent to such terms and returned to the east, leaving the certified check where it had been deposited. Cameron & Sons then applied for and secured a writ attaching the check in possession of the bank, and such is the status of the case at the present time. It is the New York crowd's "next move."

Discussed Habit in Education.

"Habit in Education" was thoroughly discussed before the pedagogical section of the Academy of Science and Art at Carnegie institute last evening. President Henry C. Pearson acted as chairman. P. M. Dysart discussed "The Physiological Basis of Habit," J. C. Armstrong "The Psychological Basis," R. H. Holbrook, "The Laws of Habit and Extreme Habitation," Miss Nannie Mackrell "Guidance in the Formation of Habits," J. B. Hench "Special Habits," and Edward Rynearson "Relation of Habit to Character." The general discussion was led by S. C. Farrar and A. Chatley. The next meeting, the first Tuesday of January, will be in charge of Miss Mackrell, and the topic will be "Education of the Will."

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Few People Realize the Importance of Good Digestion Until It Is Lost.

Many people suffer from dyspepsia and do not know it. They feel mean, out of sorts, peevish, do not sleep well, do not have a good keen appetite, do not have the inclination and energy for physical or mental work they once had, but at the same time, do not feel any particular pain or distress in the stomach. Yet all this is the result of poor digestion, an insidious form of Dyspepsia which can only be cured by a remedy specially intended to cure it and make the digestive organs act naturally and properly digest the food eaten. Bitters, after dinner pills and nerve tonics will never help the trouble; they don't reach it. The new medical discovery does. It is called Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and is a specific for dyspepsia and indigestion. It cures because it thoroughly digests all wholesome food taken into the stomach, whether the stomach is in good working order or not.

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THE WEATHER.

There will be a fall in the temperature locally today in Pittsburgh and vicinity if the forecast of the Washington weather bureau proves true. Snow, accompanied by colder conditions and brisk wind is the prediction for today. For tomorrow fair conditions are forecasted. The maximum temperature yesterday was 51, and the minimum 35 degrees. The rainfall amounted to .21 of an inch.

The Gazette weather service thermometers at Kaufmann's corner at the following hours yesterday registered:

12 noon.....37 deg. | 8 p. m.....35 deg.
4 p. m.....40 deg. | 12 midnight...32 deg.

Time of sunrise today..... 7:19 a. m.
Time of sunset today..... 4:34 p. m.
Daily report for yesterday furnished by United States weather bureau:

Time.	Bar.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind	Weather.
8 a. m....	29.94	51	94	N. W.	Rain
8 p. m....	29.88	35	68	N. W.	Snow

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 16:

	1901	1900	1899	1898	1897	1896
Maximum	34	26	33	47	50	34
Minimum	4	17	24	26	36	24
Mean	9	22	28	36	43	29
Precipitation	0	.02	0	0	0	T

Maximum temperature (8 a. m.)..... 51
Minimum temperature (8 p. m.)..... 35
Mean temperature..... 43
Normal temperature (for 31 years)..... 34
Excess in temperature for the day..... 9
Deficiency in temperature since Dec. 1..... 38
Excess in temperature since Jan. 1..... 174
Normal precipitation (for 31 years)..... .09
Precipitation for the day..... .21
Excess in precipitation for the day..... .12
Excess in precipitation since Dec. 1..... .43
Deficiency in precipitation since Jan. 1...4.86

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Forecast: Western Pennsylvania—Snow and colder Wednesday; brisk northwest winds; Thursday probably fair.

Ohio—Fair Wednesday, except snow in northeastern portion, colder; Thursday fair, fresh to brisk west winds.

West Virginia—Fair, colder Wednesday except snow in mountain districts; Thursday fair.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Pittsburgh	35	Snow	Helena	36	Clear
Cincinnati	34	Cloudy	Huron	8	Clear
Columbus	30	Snow	Vicksburg	44	Clear
Parkersb'g	36	Cloudy	Chattanooga	42	Clear
Indianap's	28	Snow	Cheyenne	16	Clear
Kansas City	26	Clear	Denver	26	Clear
Oklahoma	38	Clear	Salt Lake	28	Clear
Chicago	26	Snow	North Platte	14	Clear
Des Moines	22	Clear	Omaha	22	Clear
Cairo	38	Clear	Rapid City	24	Clear
St. Louis	32	Clear	Dodge City	12	Clear
N. Haven	30	Snow	Buffalo	32	Snow
Louisville	34	Cloudy	Washington	42	Cloudy
Memphis	42	Clear	Jacksonville	68	Cloudy
N. Orleans	52	Clear	Norfolk	64	Cloudy
Marquette	30	Cloudy	Cleveland	28	Cloudy
Bismarck	26	Clear	Philadelphia	44	Rain
St. Paul	20	Clear	New York	44	Rain

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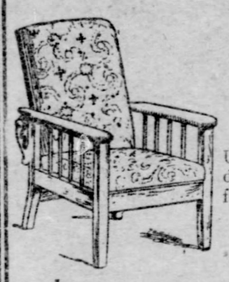

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The Pleasing Feature at This Store Is Its Christmas Variety—

not its advertisements. Just now there are only hints for don't-know-what-to-give-people in our daily news.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1902.

SIXTEEN PAGES.

Remarks of German-Americans of Pittsburgh on the Venezuela situation, as quoted in The Gazette, make it clear that in all things their first allegiance is to their adopted country. Of course, no assurance of the kind was really needed, but it is an interesting contribution to the contemporary literature of the Monroe doctrine started into life by the booming of the guns against the fortifications at Puerto Cabello. The disposition of all Germans who have made America their home is to support the policies of their adopted country even against the Fatherland, and the disposition is stronger in their children and their children's children.

Germans, in leaving Germany, do so for the purpose of bettering their political as well as their national conditions; in other words, to escape the fettering influences of governmental institutions. This is true of Germans who have come to the United States and is no doubt equally true of Germans who have made a permanent settlement in South America. Therefore, while love of fatherland might prompt them to side with Germany in a quarrel against a state in which they have neither interest or residence, it is questionable whether they would welcome an extension of German dominion over territories in which they have permanently established themselves. We know that Germans in the United States prefer the free institutions of this country and would be the first among our citizens to oppose such rule as the Germans under the imperial flag are subjected to. Doubtless the Germans who have settled in large numbers in South America share this feeling, even if in lesser degree. An extension of imperial authority to Germans who have expatriated themselves would mean reimposition of enforced military service and that class rule from which they have freed themselves, and hampering conditions that could not be agreeable. In their new sphere they have opportunities for a wider, freer life, and it is not impossible that where they have settled in South America they may by force of numbers and solid qualities develop a German or at least a Germanized state on the ruins of an effete Latin civilization. This will be much better for them than realization of the dream attributed to the kaiser of an imperial Germany beyond seas subject to his will and word and haunted by fear of laws against lese majeste.

The pacific expressions of the British government and its earnestly proclaimed respect of the Monroe doctrine are timely assurances to the American people. There has been a disposition to saddle on Germany the larger responsibility for the rapid progress of events at La Guayra and Puerto Cabello, but this is manifestly unjust. There is at least an equal partnership of England with Germany in all that has happened, and England has proceeded to even a greater extreme than has her ally. The first aggression is also more easily overlooked than the second, though neither is, after all, very serious in itself. It is rather the direction of each step than its length that attracts international attention. It is plain that British public sentiment does not sustain the course of the British government in the matter, as British sentiment is in the main favorable to the United States at all points, and is inclined to resent a course that will lessen American credulity, even in a small degree. Manifestations of feeling in parliament will doubtless powerfully influence the government's future course and dispose it to seize on an opportunity to arbitrate, if Castro has asked for arbitration in good faith. But this in no sense relieves the British government of full responsibility for the acts of its agents. If the Germans had not been given the unreserved encouragement and co-operation of the English there would have been no sinking of ships. It even appears from some of the reports that, if the Germans led in this aggressive move, the so-called war vessels were sunk by the British steamer Retribution. The destruction at Puerto Cabello was wholly a British act for which the Germans cannot be held accountable, except by reason of their moral partnership with Great Britain in the whole plan of bringing Venezuela to terms. An ordinarily careful reading of the reports reveals that the English are more blameable than the Germans for hastiness of action. It is manifestly unjust to charge Germany with a disposition to nullify the Monroe doctrine because Englishmen blew up a Venezuelan fort without waiting a reasonable time for an apology that was on the way, and that arrived while the work of destruction was in progress.

While the tone of English comments, official and unofficial, are wholly friendly to the United States, it remains to be pointed out that German utterances are hardly less so. The English foreign secretary in the house of lords and the representative of the English foreign office in the house of commons have made it clear that they are now, if not from the first, in harmony with English feelings toward this country, as voiced from the opposition benches. From Berlin come inspired utterances of regard for the United States and appreciation of its "strong and dignified" course, coupled with the significant declaration that "the state department's handling of the affair is looked upon as establishing Europe's recognition of the Monroe doctrine, because every step of Germany and Great Britain was made after taking into account what the United States thought of it." It would be, of course, much more satisfactory were the responsible German minister to declare this acceptance of the Monroe doctrine as publicly as it was declared by Viscount Cranborne for the English government. Such an official assurance from Germany would do fully as much as acceptance of the good offices of the United States in the matter of arbitration to free the situation of any menacing aspect. However, the inspired publications are so much better than the unrebuked attack in the Italian parliament on the Monroe doctrine and the United States as to be especially agreeable.

As the United States government thought well enough of President Castro's offer of arbitration of claims of British and Germans to submit it, it is to be presumed that Castro is sincere in this instance. At Berlin there is doubt as to whether he is acting in good faith or using the offer merely to create a diversion and gain time. It is not clear that the state department at Washington is, in a strictly diplomatic sense, anything more than a medium of communication. Nevertheless, owing to the peculiar relations of this country to the whole matter there is a certain moral responsibility attaching to the present negotiations that ordinarily might be absent from the proceeding. It would be unwise for this government to convey to Great Britain and Germany a communication that it was not assured had back of it sincerity of purpose, and we must assume, until it appears otherwise, that it has sufficient assurance. Arbitration is unquestionably the solution of the whole difficulty, but in the proceedings the United States necessarily appears morally as sponsor for Venezuela, while it is also acting for Germany and Great Britain in their relations with Venezuela. The assumption in Berlin that it is too late now to arbitrate is not well founded. If Venezuela has been led by force of circumstances to ask arbitration, it is almost equivalent to an admission of the claims. But whether it is or is not such an admission, it is incontestable that nothing ought to be exacted that is not just, and what is just can be best established in a purely judicial way.

ABOUT LIBERTY AVENUE.

The movement of the merchants and property holders on Liberty avenue in opposition to the proposed construction of an elevated railroad along that thoroughfare is so formidable that it must necessarily command respect, and it is exceedingly doubtful, no matter what the arguments in favor of the elevated road may be, whether its promoters will be able to force its construction in the face of such opposition. The statement of the committee that all the property holders who could be reached have united in opposition to the scheme is hardly borne out by the facts, as we know of some owners, one of them controlling perhaps the largest frontage on the street, who have not yet made up their minds to join the opposition, and are rather inclined to submit to whatever damage might be done to their property in order to benefit the city at large. Whether an elevated road built in the center of this wide thoroughfare, with the surface traction lines directly underneath and the wide space on either side open to unobstructed vehicle traffic, would really damage Liberty avenue property, is a question that is at least open for discussion. The history of other such thoroughfares, and especially of Sixth avenue in New York, gives strong force to the argument that such a road attracts retail trade. There can be no doubt that since the construction of the elevated road on Sixth avenue retail trade in New York has largely gravitated to that thoroughfare, and this is true to such an extent that Sixth avenue now largely monopolizes the department store trade of the metropolis. In this respect it has far outstripped Broadway, which once held undisputed sway over this sort of business. Broadway is more centrally located than Sixth avenue, and the only plausible reason for this diversion of trade is the ease of access to the Sixth avenue stores by means of the elevated road. In like manner Third avenue in New York, with its elevated road, is a much busier and more important thoroughfare than Fourth avenue, even though farther removed from the center of life and population. It is fair to presume that this history will be repeated in the case of a wide thoroughfare like Liberty avenue.

While there is much force in this argument, it is nevertheless true that those who have large investments along the street, whether in property or business, must view with apprehension the threatened construction of what must mar the beauty of the street even if it does not injure it as a business thoroughfare; and it seems a pity that now, just as we are promised the removal of the freight tracks which have so long prevented this great artery from becoming our chief retail business street, it should be proposed to put up another impediment to free passage along and across it. Such a thing, in fact, can only be justified by extreme public necessity, and if there is any way of solving the problem of taking our people to and from their homes without its construction it ought to be done. In this connection we venture to suggest that an elevated railroad having its terminus at the corner of Grant street and Seventh avenue might fill the bill. While this would not bring the terminus as near the center of downtown business as it ought to be, a railroad could be constructed here that would not in the slightest degree damage the property of anybody. Our suggestion is to run the road along Grant street to Liberty avenue and out Liberty avenue to the vicinity of Thirty-fourth street, from which it can radiate to various points on the present system of the Pittsburgh Railways Company by means of surface roads, or it might cross the Pennsylvania railroad tracks and run up Junction hollow, coming to the surface at the corner of Center avenue and Neville street and from there running along the present surface lines in the East End, where there is no congestion. Another suggestion is that the elevated road be built on Liberty avenue from Thirty-fourth street to the Union station, and that there the tracks be run on the surface down to the Point. Either of these projects, if carried out, would obviate the necessity of elevated tracks west of Grant street, and would, to a certain extent, provide additional facilities for reaching the East End and Lawrenceville. Whatever is done, or at whatever cost, additional facilities must be provided. The present arrangements are entirely inadequate for our present needs, to say nothing of our future growth.

ALL THINGS PURE TO THE PURE.

A prominent official of the W. C. T. U. is quoted for the statement that the union will not enter a protest against the hanging of the painting, "Life and Love," in the White House, by order of the president. This prominent official shows good sense and taste. Meddling with the private affairs of public officials upon the ground of "moral reform" is sheer impudence. The picture in question is a splendid work of art and the attacks upon it have been mainly instigated by people who forget the adage, "To the pure all things are pure." There is no form of impurity more offensive or contradictory of clean thinking than that which finds expression in the constant effort to find impropriety where it does not exist, or was not intended.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union is eminently wise in confining its efforts to its legitimate sphere and not taking a hand, as a sensational paper reported it might, in a crusade that offends the public sense of decency, outrages the principles of pure art and, moreover, seeks to poke its inquiring tongue into the private affairs of people who by every standard of refinement and moral excellence are quite able to direct their own tastes.

VICE IN THIS CITY.

For several days past The Gazette has been submitting proof that vice stalks abroad as openly and shamelessly as it did before the vaunted police crusade began. The police and detective bureaus have better facilities for ascertaining the facts than The Gazette, so their asserted ignorance is evidence of unwillingness to learn existing conditions, or fear to do their duty. The city is infested by vicious places to which the callow youth find the way as readily as the hardened rounders, and it is preposterous to suppose the police have any less opportunity than either of the classes named to know where the resorts are, or what takes place in them.

Bravely as the crusade began earlier in the year, with official assurance that nothing could stop it until the city was spotlessly clean, it has amounted to nothing. One "quiet" resort known to the police and tolerated has been made notorious by a mysterious murder. Any of the others may be disclosed to the public in the same manner at any time. There are places that hold out an inviting hand to those not wholly depraved and which make the road to deeper depravity a specialty, but none are touched by the organized guardians of the public peace and morality. The Gazette will continue to point out these places, giving names, numbers and particulars. If the police bureau has been unaware of their existence, as has been claimed, it can be ignorant no longer. If it refuses in the light of the facts to proceed, then it becomes the duty of the higher authorities to order it to perform its duty.

Last summer it was freely charged that a vice syndicate existed, with official connections. Those charges were denied. As proof of their falsity the crusade was proposed. But the crusade has so far failed miserably of tangible results. A few fines have been imposed, fines that must be regarded as very light compared with the profits of the illegal traffic. That is all. None of the speakeasies or joints have gone out of business. The people are asking why and they ought to know.

THE NEW STEEL MERGER.

Much interest will be aroused in Pittsburgh by the official announcement of the purchase of the newly consolidated Union-Sharon steel interests by the United States Steel Corporation. Though the price quoted appears rather high, the transfer will undoubtedly strengthen the United States Steel Corporation, giving it a firmer hold upon the supplies of raw material and removing from the field a dangerous competitor. The plants of the Union Company are modern and its plan of organization and operation was first-class in every respect. The whole fits in with the United States Steel Corporation admirably because the big concern acquires needed additional productive capacity for pig iron and open-hearth steel.

Of course, the projected railroads to the lake shore and into the coke regon are not likely to be built now. The Bessemer railroad may utilize the Elk Harbor property by a branch and may possibly make a coke and interworks extension at this end. But the rail facilities of Pittsburgh will be increased by the Jones & Laughlin line, and it may be assumed that others will be added when urgently needed. The deal has been suspected by the public ever since the officers of the big company made an inspection of the Union Company's mills, so the formal announcement does not come as a complete surprise. Pittsburgh looks on complacently because it loses nothing.

After a long, and possibly profitable, hold-up, the New York board of aldermen has finally passed the Pennsylvania railroad tunnel franchise. Minority reports were submitted, intended to be apologetic for the continued opposition, but they contain little that can be regarded as real reasons for standing out against the project. The delay has been a hold-up, pure and simple, of the class that has brought municipal assemblies throughout the country into discredit. The Baltimore plan has brought a large measure of relief to that city and needs to be extended rapidly to other municipalities.

The southern Democrats who raised such a howl about the president's entertainment of Booker Washington at the White House have shied off from the Cleveland-Washington confab at Philadelphia.

That tiresome individual who insists that children should be told the truth about Santa Claus has bobbed up again. Even the joyous Christmas season has its drawbacks, but not many of that sort.

English statesmen seem to favor a solo part for that government in the event there is a war opera put on in Venezuela. They object vigorously to figuring merely in the German chorus.

We trust the foreign powers will give Venezuela time to properly assort and label the large stock of ultimatums she has on hand.

The old discussion about closing the capitol bar is on in congress again. Meantime the bartender keeps busy and says nothing.

Heavy rains in Kentucky have brought about a surplusage of water in that state. The natives are not drinking it, however.

Every time the statehood bill enemies growl Senator Quay throws in another big, raw chunk of the Philadelphia platform.

If Santa Claus hasn't an umbrella and rain coat he is likely saying a great many unkind things about the weather man.

Mascagni continues to have a regular Venezuela of a time of it in his journeyings through the country.

The smoke inspectors literally see their salaries going up in smoke.

May Have to Fight for It.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal.

Some day we shall probably have to fight for this Monroe doctrine. The country is practically unanimous on the subject and is likely to remain so, despite the imbecile, corrupt and revolutionary propensities of the South Americans. We are considering our own interests and safety, not theirs. It is a well accepted principle of international law that every nation has a perfect right to fight against a threatened danger. We could not submit to the establishment of a hostile empire at our very door.

Venezuela Was for Spain.

From the Syracuse Herald.

During our last war, it will be recalled, many of the South American countries, Venezuela included, showed unmistakable friendship for Uncle Sam's opponent. Perhaps that is one reason why that outburst of popular American sympathy, which the Venezuelans have evidently been looking for, has not yet become visible to the naked eye.

Comes Easier.

From the Boston Globe.

All thoughtful American editors are relieved to learn that Pobiedonostseff, the noted procurator general of Russia, who excommunicated Tolstoi and persecuted the Doukhobors, is to be succeeded by Count Scheremetieff, for it is an easier name to spell.

DR. LORENZ'S NERVE GIVEN HARD TEST

United Strength of Two Surgeons Necessary to Reduce a Congenital Dislocation.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.

Surgeons and—through the newspapers—New Yorkers in general, have been watching the wonderful work of Dr. Lorenz in reducing congenital hip dislocations in the hospitals of this city. His work yesterday at the Hospital for the Ruptured and Crippled was comparatively easy. Today when he operated in the amphitheater of the New York Polyclinic hospital he had difficulties. The nerve required in a surgeon was never more forcefully illustrated than when Dr. Lorenz, with Dr. Royal T. Whitman assisting, pulled with their united strength at the leg of a 6-year-old girl until it seemed to the laymen as if they must pull it off. It was heroic treatment but was justified by the result. Just when it looked as if permanent injury must be done to the unconscious little one, deep under the merciful influence of chloroform, there was a muffled snap and the bone had slipped into its socket. The operation was successful. Many of the doctors sitting in the galleries expressed the fear that Dr. Lorenz would not be able to reduce the dislocation, for it seemed as if even his nearly superhuman strength would be powerless, notwithstanding that it was reinforced by that of his assistant, Dr. Whitman. The famous surgeon never seemed to hesitate, however, and if he had misgivings he kept them to himself, except for a muttered doubt whether the cavity might not be too small to receive the end of the bone. He pulled at the limb steadily and carefully and when at last the snap proclaimed his victory, he only smiled quietly. As the operations are described they strike a layman as being extremely simple. There is the massage at the beginning, followed by the pulling at the limb, with nature assisting. When once the leg has been set, there is nothing else but the application of a plaster jacket, leaving time to make a complete cure. While it will not be known for certain until some weeks have passed with the ultimate result in each case, the skillfulness of the operations is apparent to any one at once.

Tommy Ross Makes a Hit.

John B. Reynolds, the Pittsburgh theatrical manager, dropped into The Gazette bureau today. He is in town on business connected with his attraction, Thomas W. Ross in "On the Quiet," which as been touring the country since the beginning of the season. He says that Mr. Ross has made a great hit in the leading character in "On the Quiet," and that the general opinion of critics everywhere is that he is a fast-coming star comedian. The company will play in the new National theater, in Rochester, N. Y., on New Year's night.

An Open Question.

An interesting legal point is likely to be settled through the "star chamber" proceedings in the district attorney's office in the Richard Canfield matter. It is whether a witness can be compelled to testify to what he knows about an alleged gambler. Jesse Lewisohn, a prominent New Yorker, thinks he cannot. He refused to answer a question put to him by the district attorney as to whether he knows Richard Canfield and was promptly placed under arrest. Lewisohn means to make a test case of it, saying that he is acting under advice of counsel.

Gebhard and Matrimony.

Frederick Gebhard, the rather saturnine man-about-town whose name was associated with that of Lily Langtry so persistently some years ago, today denied that he intended to marry an actress named Drina de Wolfe. The lady was one of the "Pretty Maidens" in "Florodora," and is known along Broadway as one of the prettiest "show girls" of the time. There was a story published that Miss de Wolfe intended to become Mrs. Gebhard. The gentleman gallantly characterizes the statement as "absurd."

A Realistic Demonstration.

How bad the crush on the "L" is in the morning was indicated today by a young woman, a stenographer, being actually shoved off the platform at West One Hundred and Sixteenth street, so that she was ground between a moving train platform and the station. She will be in bed for some time, but is lucky that she was not killed outright. The West One Hundred and Sixteenth street station is the highest one the Manhattan elevated railroad and is the only station at which there is an elevator for passengers. The stairway is too high to be climbed.

Just and Unjust Are Soaked.

If ever New York had a soaking, slushy day, this was it. It was raining when the early birds were on their way to business and it is raining tonight harder than ever. Business has been going on pretty well, however, in spite of the water. In fact, it has been easier to carry on affairs than it was yesterday, when there was so much snow in some of the downtown thoroughfares. In a general way, the rain has been a good thing for the city, and barring the commuters, no one is grumbling very hard.

Latest in Accident Insurance.

A well-dressed middle-aged man, heavily built, walking along Sixth avenue yesterday, began to slip on the icy pavements. He slid and grasped at the atmosphere, and twisted his feet in awkward directions and nearly fell. He recovered himself with a great effort and stood leaning against a lamp post to get his breath. A young man stepped up to him sympathetically. "Narrow escape," observed the young man. "Indeed it was. If I had gone down I might have broken my leg." "Or neck," corrected the young man. "Yes," agreed the big man. "I should have hurt myself very much, anyhow. But, and let me tell you, an accident of that kind might happen to anybody. Then see what a comfort it would be to have an accident policy, which would give you $20 a week all the time you were laid up, or $1,000 to your nearest of kin in case of your death. See here" (taking a bundle of printed forms from his inside pocket and spreading them out professionally for the young man's gaze). "Here is a capital policy which I can write for you at a very small premium. It is in the Bunkum and Catchum Accident Insurance Company, and any young man like you is doing an injustice to himself in not having one. Read that. It won't cost you anything." And so on until the young man ran away. The big man's slipping about on the sidewalk was merely the shrewd dodge of an insurance agent.

Wealth Does Not Abate Fever.

Cornelius Vanderbilt continues very sick, but is suffering only the regular course of typhoid fever. When the fever breaks there will be danger, if it is too sudden, but the physicians do not express more than ordinary fear, though they say the case is as bad a one as they ever saw.

Canfield Will Fight.

Richard Canfield, the gambler, who stands at the head of his profession, means to make a desperate fight against District Attorney Jerome and the others responsible for the raid on his house a few weeks ago. He has entered a civil suit against Jerome, Capt. Piper, Deputy Police Commissioner and Inspector Brooks, claiming damages for the destruction of his lace window curtains. This might sound almost absurd were it not understood that the suit will be only a test, to be followed up by more weighty proceedings if Canfield should win the case. He does not care more for lace curtains than any other man, but he insists that the police had no right to break into his private house. Quite seriously, Mr. Canfield declares that the place is his home, and not the wicked gambling house the police say it is. Jerome, to all this, merely remarks, "Pooh-pooh!"

Mrs. Grant's Wish Recalled.

More than usual interest is displayed in the General Grant tomb today. As is generally known, there is an empty metal casket by the side of the general's in the great mausoleum and in that casket will be placed the remains of Mrs. Grant. She has many times looked at the place wherein she will lie, and has said that she believed she could rest better there by the side of her husband than anywhere else. It was merely a bit of pretty sentiment, of course, but it is remembered today and many persons have taken the trouble to go to the tomb just to look at the two caskets and to wonder whether indeed it makes any difference where one's body lies after death.

Dumbbell Proved Too Heavy.

Before one can be a lawn mower driver for the city of New York it is necessary to pass a physical examination. This regulation has caused much trouble to Harry Harris, 35 years of age. He wanted to mow the municipal lawns in Central park and elsewhere, and to show that he could handle the reins and guide his horses whither they should go, he raised a 60-pound dumb bell over his head with a mighty muscular heave. Unfortunately he relaxed his effort when he had the "bell" well up in the air and allowed it to fall on his shoulder. It dislocated his right shoulder and Mr. Harris is in a hospital. Whether he will get the job when he comes out is worrying him more than his physical injury. Raising the dumb bell was part of the civil service examination. GEORGE C. JENKS.

Pittsburghers in Gotham.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

WALDORF-ASTORIA.

T. W. Smith. F. B. Hussey.
Miss M. L. Smith. G. McCargo.
J. B. Oliver. Miss Green.
Miss E. Oliver. Mrs. G. B. Hill.
H. P. Goff. G. E. Terer.
Miss M. L. Gillespie.

MARLBOROUGH.

H. G. Taylor.

HERALD SQUARE.

Albert Graham. L. Goldman.
W. J. Webster.

IMPERIAL.

Charles Keally, Jr. C. F. Long.
C. A. Smith. James B. Arthur.
J. D. O'Bryan, Jr. R. D. Ward.

HOLLAND.

H. P. Bope. W. C. Temple.
Edward Worcester.

STURTEVANT.

G. Schlotterbeck.

HOFFMAN.

M. E. Lane. C. A. Birkle.
Mrs. M. E. Lane.

ALBEMARLE.

Douglas Taylor.

FIFTH AVENUE.

F. A. Kingsley. E. M. Bigelow.
Mrs. F. A. Kingsley. Mrs. E. M. Bigelow.

MANHATTAN.

C. E. Rosenthal.

BROADWAY CENTRAL.

I. Seder.

ST. DENIS.

A. Learn.

ASTOR.

H. E. Smythe.

What They Should Have Done.

From the Washington Star.

The natural course of procedure at La Guayra would have been for England and Germany to wait until the time limit expired, then land a sufficient force and take possession of the custom house. There would have been ample precedent for such a method. If incidentally it were found advisable to remove the Venezuelan navy from the scene of activity there would have been no occasion to object to the seizure of the vessels and their detention under guard at a distance from the scene of activities. If then President Castro had waged war on the landing forces ordinary measures of warfare in opposition would have been justifiable.

The United States cannot afford to be pressed by the circumstances into the attitude of condoning or justifying the proceedings at La Guayra. If a pledge has been given by England and Germany to abstain from territorial seizures or demands, that fact will prevent us from forcibly intervening for Venezuela's protection. But, on the other hand, if Germany and England are going to proceed against Venezuela as if she had no international standing and no rights which those powers are bound to respect, then Minister Bowen cannot be expected to hold Venezuela to the observance of international law for the benefit of Germans and Englishmen in Venezuela. It would be most unfortunate for this government to be drawn into such a seeming relation to the case as to appear in South American eyes as standing as Europe's ally in unwarranted and oppressive actions.

Objecting to the Militia Bill.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Our friends of the peace societies are up in arms against the bill for the reorganization of the militia. The familiar names of Belva A. Lockwood and Alfred H. Love and Vice President Manning, of the Universal Peace Union, appear on the bottom of a protest sent to the senate. The objectors paint a dreadful picture of what will happen in their estimation if the militia bill is passed.

The tell us of the burden of taxation borne by European powers to support great armies, and they want to know if we can stand any such system as that in this country. They declare that the bill would teach our young men to kill; that it would array every man against his brother that it "would make of our country an armed camp."

But in spite of this protest we believe that the bill is a good one and that it ought to be adopted. These are days of arbitration, it is true, but arbitration is not always invoked and unless a nation is prepared to defend itself the chances are not always likely to be favorable to a peaceful settlement of international disputes.

Some Interesting Coincidents.

From the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

If the people of the world are on the lookout for coincidences, it is one that Admiral Dewey is close at hand where the Germans and English are collecting South American debts with war boats carrying 250 cannon. Dewey's fleet, it put in line, would be a slam-banger. Dewey himself waits for orders, but when he gets them, oh, my! He sets forth, as it were, suddenly. He did so when the cable told him to go down the coast of Luzon and pay his respects to the Spaniards. They say in Europe that it is queer England and Germany are found philandering on the Venezuelan coast so soon after the German emperor called on the king of England, and they bagged a few birds. If there is to be seeking for signs and wonders, our grand naval maneuvers began in the West Indies, just when Castro cried for arbitration and wanted it to be compulsory.

Castro Lacks the Price.

From the Indianapolis Journal.

Even if Castro were inclined to meet the demands of Great Britain and Germany he could not get the money, a fact which both these governments must have understood. There is no money in the treasury, and, after a revolution of five years, the industries of the country have been suspended, the purchasing power of the people is exhausted and they have nothing with which to pay taxes. Besides, Venezuela has long had a reputation for not paying its debts. During the Hayes administration an effort was made to collect several hundred thousand dollars owed to American citizens. When the British and German subjects made their investments in Venezuela they knew the bad reputation of the government as to paying debts.

Interested in Larkin's Fight.

From the Philadelphia Press.

Controller Larkin of Pittsburgh has so persistently refused to pay the contractors for a leaking reservoir that he has at last got the matter in such shape that the merits of the case will be heard before one of the local courts. This is rather different from a former decision that the director of public works is the sole judge of the character of the work done. The controller doesn't think the people ought to be compelled to pay for defective work, even if the department under which the work was done does say it's all right. The proceedings are interesting, raising as they do the question as to whether a controller can control, or only act as a clerk.

Slower Than Philadelphia.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Elections were held both in this commonwealth and in New York on the fourth of November just passed. The returns of the Pennsylvania vote were published in the Philadelphia newspapers of November 15; those of New York state were given out by the local papers of December 7 and 8. Did any sane man ever suggest that there is anything slow about Gotham?

PERSONALS

The court house and county jail of Pittsburgh were inspected yesterday by a committee of officials and business men of Cleveland. The party arrived here after visiting New York, Boston, Philadelphia and other leading eastern cities, and returned to Cleveland last night. The purpose of the trip was to gain information as to the expenditure of many millions of dollars for the erection of state, county and municipal buildings in Cleveland. A new court house is to be built in Cleveland, and it is the purpose to group about it the city, state and federal buildings. The cost is expected to exceed $20,000,000. The ground has been secured for the erection of the proposed buildings, and as soon as the committee agrees on the style of architecture they will be commenced. In speaking of their trip, M. A. Bradley, who acted as spokesman for the party, said: "The committee was greatly impressed with the Pittsburgh court house and jail, but the new Tombs prison in New York is the most modern we have visited." Others in the party were J. E. Asling, H. M. Case, John Bevere, Julius C. Dorn, Theodore Schmidt, W. R. Coates and H. R. Reeler.

Gen. John A. Wiley of Franklin, commanding the Second brigade, N. G. P., who has been suggested as a possible successor to Adjt.-Gen. Thomas J. Stewart, under the Pennypacker administration, was at the Seventh Avenue hotel yesterday. Gen. Wiley said he would not make a fight for the place, but would readily accept the position if tendered to him. Gen. Wiley's service in the guard has been continuous for nearly a quarter of a century, and he has been untiring in his efforts to increase the efficiency of the guard.

Miss Cecilia Loftus, who will be the leading support to Sothern during his engagement in this city, is at the Hotel Lincoln. She arrived in Pittsburgh yesterday after a stormy trip across the Atlantic, and was entirely worn out on her arrival. Miss Loftus is well-known in this city and her appearance in the role of Ophelia is awaited with much interest.

Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, superintendent of public instruction, is at the Seventh Avenue hotel. He arrived from Butler yesterday and will go to Greensburg today.

C. J. Carroll, superintendent of the Pennsylvania railroad ferry at Jersey City, is at the Seventh Avenue hotel.

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

Among those at the leading hotels last night were the following persons from nearby towns:

Duquesne—S. V. Johnston, Akron; J. T. Troll, Wheeling, W. Va.; W. A. and J. B. Trimler, Sharon; J. T. Coleman, New Castle; W. McCreary, Butler.

Lincoln—P. J. Brown, Ft. Wayne; S. S. Graham, Brownsville.

Victoria—Ed. Kinney, Parkersburg; Grotfind, New Castle; P. S. Johnson, Somerset; J. S. Smith, Berlin, Pa.

Anderson—F. A. Vernon, Salem, O.; M. Meyer, Youngstown.

Henry—W. L. Taylor, East Liverpool; M. Bradley, Wheeling; H. L. Cooke, Bridgeport; G. S. Goodwin, East Liverpool; R. J. Moorehead.

Griswold—J. M. Evans, Sharon; George Allison, New Castle.

Monongahela—S. L. Hamilton, Beaver; T. J. Judge, Erie; J. S. Nowymer, Dawson; John R. Byrne, Scottdale; P. A. Johns, Uniontown; G. S. Smith, Morgantown.

Newell's—A. Mundell, Titusville; A. C. Free, Mannington, W. Va.; J. D. Ramsey, Bolivar; W. J. Neiston, Marietta; G. M. Lyle, Erie; J. M. Magow, Beaver Falls; J. F. Boggs, Parkersburg.

Seventh Avenue—A. E. Middleton, Emlenton; W. A. Scanlon, Johnstown; J. W. Ruth, Scottdale; G. J. Mark, Titusville; C. H. Black, Wellsville.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Mrs. Margaret Burke.

Mrs. Margaret Burke, widow of the late Michael Burke, died last night at the family residence, No. 221 Second street, Braddock, after a short illness. Mrs. Burke was born in Ireland in 1840, and came to Braddock 22 years ago. She was a member of St. Brendan's Catholic church, and was prominent in L. C. B. A. work in Braddock. She is survived by the following children: James, Thomas, Mrs. Harry Williams, Miss Margaret and Miss Nellie. No arrangements have been made for the funeral.

Samuel H. Lawson.

Samuel H. Lawson, 60 years old, for 35 years teller in the N. Holmes & Sons bank, Fourth avenue and Wood street, died yesterday morning at his home in Crafton, after four weeks' illness of Bright's disease. He had been a resident of Crafton for the past 13 years, is survived by his widow and four children.

Obituary Notes.

Dr. A. G. Vale is dead at Clarkson, O., at the age of 61 years.

Gen. George P. Morgan, adjutant general of the United Confederate veterans, died suddenly at New Orleans last night, aged 61.

The Rev. John Duncan Paul of Knoxville, Tenn., is dead at the home of his father-in-law, William H. Barnum, No. 1416 Lorraine street, Allegheny.

Mrs. Catherine Elizabeth Lytle, 47 years old, wife of James Lytle, is dead at her home in Third street, Pitcairn. She is survived by her husband and a number of sons and daughters.

George Bayne of Greensburg, Pa., a contracting mason who assisted in the building of the Gallitzin, Greensburg & Radebaugh tunnels on the Pennsylvania railroad, died Monday night of pneumonia. He was 74 years of age, and is survived by his widow, one son and one daughter.

Another View of Smoot's Case.

From the Independent.

We observe that a number of our papers are protesting that Apostle Smoot must not be elected from Utah as is proposed. But why not? If it can be proved that he is a polygamist in life, that is reason enough; we have kept a man out of the house for that offense. But we do not hear it said that he lives in polygamy—simply that he is an elder of the Mormon church. With that the senate has nothing to do. Senator Kyle was a minister in the Congregational church and President Harrison an elder in the Presbyterian church. As to religious offices our government is indifferent.

A Grateful Taxpayer.

From the Baltimore American.

Mayor Hayes tells a story that illustrates the popularity of his efforts to provide the city with a low tax rate. "As I stepped from a street car the other day," says the mayor, "a gentleman walked up to me and asked: 'Aren't you Mayor Hayes?'

"'Yes,' I replied; whereupon the gentleman said: 'Well, I want to shake hands with you.'

"'All right,' I said, and offered my hand. Then I asked why he wanted to shake hands with me, and he said: 'Because you have saved me enough on my tax bills to buy a suit of clothes.'"

More Strained Relations.

From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Col. Bryan has been advised to turn his paper into an agricultural and live stock journal till he can ascertain the direction in which the political wind is blowing. The greater number of candid and unbiased people know already, but there are those who think that the colonel, brilliant as he is in other matters, is a little slow of comprehension on this particular point.

He Can Afford It.

From the New York Tribune.

Mr. Carnegie comes back to a cold and frosty town. Nevertheless it is likely that he can afford to buy coal enough to heat his big new house in Fifth avenue, one of the largest city homes to be seen anywhere in America.

Jerry Simpson's Whereabouts.

From the Sioux City Journal.

Jerry Simpson is down in New Mexico somewhere waiting patiently for a chance to go to the senate after the state hood bill passes. This is a fact which also might be given due consideration.

Interest in the Monroe Doctrine.

From the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

One feature of the Venezuelan incident that cannot very well be regretted is the fact that it will lead the American public in general to keep up its interest in the Monroe doctrine.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

"Senator Beveridge's report in opposition to the admission of New Mexico and Arizona into the union contains much that would have served as an argument against the admission of half the states already in the union," remarks the Springfield Republican (Ind.). "In view of the nation's past policy, his proposed condition that a territory, in order to be admitted, should now have a population of 1,650,000 is preposterous."

The Baltimore American is somewhat excited about the Venezuelan situation. It says: "The policy of non-interference in the Venezuelan embroilment, to which this government seems to be committed, cannot be long protracted. A state of war between Germany and England on the one side and Venezuela on the other now actually exists, and our position must be authoritatively defined at no distant date."

Probably no stronger statement of the southern view could be made than the following from the Birmingham (Ala.) News (Dem.): "The persistent stubbornness of President Roosevelt in his position on the appointment of negroes to federal offices in districts where such appointments are utterly distasteful to a large majority of the people who do business at the offices in question seems well nigh incomprehensible to the southern people especially. It is hard to realize that a man of President Roosevelt's reading and observation and knowledge of conditions in the south will hold out against the patrons of government offices and occupy a defiant position when he knows they do not want his man to occupy these offices. What is a government oice, such as collector of customs and postmaster, for? The transaction of business by the people of that town or district, of course. Then, in the name of all that is fair and reasonable, why should the hundreds of people who do business at such offices be crushed aside through a mere headstrong prejudice, feeling of resentment, desire for vengeance or whatever you may call it, and have thrust upon them men who are not only distasteful to them, but who for this very reason cannot possibly fill the position so efficiently and satisfactorily as dozens of other acceptable men in the community?

"A royal battle is being fought in the United States senate over the admission of three new states, and it bids fair to last for some time, as neither side intends to give up easily," says the Washington Post (Ind. Dem.). "An interesting feature of the contest is that there is a faction of the Republican party working with the Democrats in favor of the omnibus bill, which admits Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico, while a majority of the dominant party stands for Oklahoma, with Indian Territory included in the new state. There is a shrewd pair of experienced politicians leading the Republican minority, Matthew S. Quay and Stephen B. Elkins. These are not the men who would be looked upon as party disorganizers or party renegades. In fact, their party loyalty has been many times tested, and the work they have done for the organization for years entitles them to a front rank in the party councils; yet these men are going contrary to the advice

ANOTHER BIG RIVER IS COMING THIS WAY

Water May Reach 16 Feet, but There Will Be No Flood.

Another miniature flood is sweeping down the Monongahela valley—the second high stage of water during the past week—and this morning the river will be over the locks and dams on the Monongahela river between Pittsburgh and Brownsville. This will interfere with navigation and put a stop to further coal shipments for a day or two at least. The indications are that there will be about 16 feet of water at Pittsburgh today, and possibly one or two more feet, but the rivers will not reach a flood stage.

The towboats departing yesterday were the Joseph B. Williams and the Boaz, which will take large tows of coal south from Bellaire. These steamers are owned by the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company. The G. W. Thomas took out a tow for C. Jutte & Co.

A number of Pittsburgh barges were in a fleet of empty craft carried away from the Willow Run coal landing at Cincinnati yesterday. Among the runaways were 15 or 20 loaded barges. Some of this coal had been delivered at Cincinnati by the Peoples Coal Company of Pittsburgh. Capt. G. W. Thomas, president of the company, in discussing the matter, said:

"We had several barges in the landing, which is owned and controlled by Capt. T. J. Hall, but all our coal had been sold and paid for. I talked over the long-distance telephone to the landing people and was informed that all the loaded craft had been caught and landed, several barges being damaged but none sunk."

The A. R. Budd Coal Company also had four or five empties in the landing, and the remainder of the runaway fleet belonged to Kanawha river operators. It is stated that the property loss will reach $50,000, and that Kanawha operators will be the heaviest losers.

The wet and sloppy weather which has prevailed in Pittsburgh during the past few days is probably at an end, according to the prediction of the Washington observer, today will be colder and there will be a fall of snow. His prediction for tomorrow is for fair conditions. Last evening the atmosphere became chilly and there were occasional snow flurries during the night. This morning a heavier fall snow is expected. As brisk northwest winds are predicted for today, it is not likely that the snowfall will be unusually heavy.

BODY WAS CUT IN TWO BY THE FAST LIMITED

Death of John Hutchinson Witnessed by a Large Crowd at Swissvale Station.

John Hutchinson, the keeper of the golf grounds of the Edgewood Golf club, was instantly killed last evening by train No. 6 at the Swissvale station. The accident was witnessed by a crowd. Hutchinson was in haste to get across the tracks. As soon as a long freight train had gone by he ran across just behind the rearmost car, directly in front of the Pennsylvania limited going east. He was thrown to the tracks and the train passed over him, cutting his body in twain.

Howard Fisher, a member of the club, was told of the accident. He notified Mrs. Hutchinson of the death of her husband and sent several ladies to the house to comfort her. The shock to Mrs. Hutchinson was so severe that a physician was sent to the house to attend her.

Mr. Hutchinson was 50 years old. He had been employed by the club since its organization, and lived in a house on the grounds. Mrs. Hutchinson is his second wife. She and two grown daughters survive him.

While sleeping on a lounge at her parents' home, little Clara Nemetz, 3 years old, was burned to death at No. 240 Cedar street, yesterday afternoon. The child had been ill and the mother placed a couch in the kitchen on which the little girl lay. The mother then left the house to get some articles, and while she was absent her little boy, 5 years old, lighted a stick at the fire and accidentally set the lounge on fire.

Edward Ebbert Little, auditor and assistant treasurer of the Westinghouse Airbrake Company, was found dead in bed at his home, No. 5310 Westminster street, East End, early yesterday morning. Mr. Little was well known in local business circles, having during his life been connected with the Allegheny Valley railroad and the Philadelphia Company. He was 50 years old and unmarried.

HYNDMAN BANK FAILS.

Dispute Among Directors Leads to the Appointment of Receiver by Comptroller.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Comptroller of the Currency Ridgely has closed the National Bank of South Pennsylvania at Hyndman, Pa., and has appointed Walter R. Mason, bank examiner, as receiver. A permanent receiver will be appointed later.

The failure of the bank was due to losses sustained through large loans made to officers and directors. A controversy has existed between the stockholders of the bank of several weeks' duration, and an attempt was made to arrange the affairs of the bank and prevent a receivership. Owing to the impossibility of any agreement being reached the comptroller today appointed a receiver at the request of the leading stockholders.

Attorney John S. Weller and J. J. Hobltzell were here today to secure the appointment of a receiver.

OLD AND NEW COMPARED.

Engineers Discuss Modern and Past Methods in Science.

A comparison of past with present methods and ideas in science, elucidated in a number of addresses, made a very interesting session of the Engineers' society last night. Prof. John A. Brashear gave a technical description of the astronomical equipment for the Chilian observatory.

Henry W. Fisher related some experiences connected with cables and William Metcalf talked of methods of handling iron 40 years ago. He said that theoretical knowledge did not always agree with the ideas of practical workmen, many of whom developed into captains of industry and achieved success outside of school training.

Antes Snyder, civil engineer of the Pennsylvania railroad, compared the transportation methods of the first railroads with those of today. Capt. David F. Jones, formerly an instructor in the Naval Academy, gave several reasons why ships 30 and 40 years ago were failures. A number of new members were admitted.

DALZELL ATTENDS PRESIDENT'S DINNER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The president entertained at dinner tonight Secretary Moody, Senators Allison, Hale, Gallinger, Perkins and Hanna, Speaker Henderson, Representatives Grosvenor, Dalzell, Cannon, Foss and Dayton, and General G. M. Dodge.

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FIVE POWERS NOW OPPOSED TO VENEZUELA

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da's passengers but Gen. Hernandez preferred to cover the distance to the customs house on foot. He was followed by an enthusiastic crowd, which cheered him all the way.

Gen. Hernandez reached Caracas at 5 o'clock this afternoon. He was received at the railroad station with great enthusiasm by 1,500 of his partisans, who tried to unharness the horses attached to his carriage and themselves draw the general in his triumphal return to this city. At the general's request, however, the people desisted from this.

From the railroad station Gen. Hernandez drove to Miraflores palace, the residence of President Castro. From his carriage the revolutionary leader addressed the people of the city. Castro then appeared upon a balcony of the palace and made an address in reply to "El Mocho." Good order prevailed throughout the demonstration. The followers of "El Mocho" have given assurances that they will assist President Castro to overcome the difficulties at present confronting Venezuela.

German Officer Killed.

PUERTO CABELLO, Dec. 16.—It has been learned here that during the bombardment of Puerto Cabello, December 13, by the British cruiser Charybdis and the German cruiser Vineta that the Charybdis was struck in the bow by a shot fired from a cannon on the Plaza Bruzal. The Vineta was struck twice by the Venezuelan cannon fire.

The report which has been in circulation here that an officer of the Vineta was killed during the bombardment by a rifle bullet fired from the shore appears now to be true. The Vineta left this port suddenly, although it was supposed she would remain here to protect German interests. She is at present at Willemstad, Curacao, where she arrived with her flag flying at half mast. It is believed the German cruiser went to Willemstad for the purpose of burying the body of the dead officer there.

The American vice consul here, Mr. Volkmar, the German consul, P. Tiede, the British consul, R. Koister, and a number of the leading citizens of Puerto Cabello have had an interview with the British and German commodores. As a result the foreign naval officers have desisted from their plan to disembark marines and seize the cannon in Fort Solono, and ask for the capitulation of Puerto Cabello.

Gen. Bello Released.

The British and German commodores have released Gen. Bello, who was made a prisoner in Castle Libertop after the bombardment, and they have promised to release the other prisoners in a few hours. A number of criminals who were confined in Castle Liberator have been turned over to the Venezuelan civil authorities.

It has been arranged that Fort Solono and Castle Liberator on the water front are not to be garrisoned by Venezuela as long as the present differences continue. This is done in order to avoid another bombardment. The lives and property of the British subjects here are to be guaranteed. There is no blockade at Puerto Cabello.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The dissatisfaction among Englishmen over the action of the government in allowing itself to be hoodwinked by Germany is increasing. This prevailing sentiment is echoed by the entire English press. One hears nothing else discussed, and the actual happenings off the coast of Venezuela take second place. "Germany expects every Englishman to do his duty," is the witty paraphrase to sum up the situation.

Sounding the United States.

The foreign office appears to be without official cognizance of the attitude of the Washington government, although it is convinced unofficially that Washington is anxious that further hostilities be avoided. It is known that the foreign office has made inquiry as to whether the United States would be willing to guarantee the fulfilling of Venezuela's pledges, either at the immediate cessation of the present European action or pending the award of arbitration. This inquiry resulted in a direct negative from the United States.

With the guarantee of the United States, the foreign office says, arbitration in the Venezuelan matter would be an immediate probability, but with only the word of a government hitherto unreliable arbitration is difficult of accomplishing even upon the points where international relations admit of such a method of settlement.

Lord Lansdowne's repudiation of any intention on the part of Great Britain to land forces in Venezuela, a statement made, it is thought, for the purpose of reassuring the United States, is commented upon by the papers this morning as likely to embolden President Castro in his resolution to defy the powers.

VENEZUELAN AFFAIR DISCUSSED IN SENATE

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The Venezuelan question occupied the attention of the senate in executive session today for almost an hour. The question came up informally almost immediately after the house was excluded. Senator Teller disclaiming all intention of being critical and saying he merely desired information, asked Senator Cullom, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, for the information he possessed as to the Venezuelan affair. Mr. Teller in inquiring said that the situation is such that senators felt that the Monroe doctrine at any time might become involved if the complication should continue.

Senator Cullom replied to the inquiry that he had no knowledge of recent events not contained in the public prints. Senators Bacon, Hoar, Lodge and Stewart all made remarks. In none of the addresses was anything harsh or critical said. The tone of all the speeches, whether by Republicans or Democrats, was that the attitude of this nation should be one of watchfulness. There was a general agreement that while the means adopted by Great Britain and Germany for the collection of their debts had been quite strenuous, they thus far had committed no infringement of the Monroe doctrine and therefore had done nothing to which the United States could take exceptions.

NEW UNION STEEL COMPANY PARTS WITH ITS PROPERTY FOR $33,000,000 IN BONDS

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anteed by the steel corporation. For the actual money put into the manufacturing property the stockholders will receive these bonds at par.

How Payment Will Be Made.

For the value of real estate, ore and coal, they will receive bonds at par, and for the $10,000,000 of new cash they will receive bonds at par. The remainder of the bonds will be kept in the treasury for use at some future time in such further development of the property as may be decided on by the steel corporation.

The sellers' profit in the transaction arises solely from their profit in operating their plants to date and in the increased value of their ore, coal and real estate, which were purchased some time ago.

This is an advantageous purchase for the steel corporation, as these properties are located near their other plants, and the general expense of managing the business with the addition of these two large and modern plants will not be increased; and also for the reason that the corporation is now short of pig iron and open-hearth capacity.

William H. Donner, who has been president of the Union Steel Company since its formation, and under the new temporary organization of the Union Steel Company with the Sharon properties a vice president with John Stevenson, Jr., last night made the following statement in explanation, with important revelations of iron and steel trade:

Why the Sale Was Made.

We started in 1900 to build a rod, wire and nail mill, making a contract with the Carnegie Steel Company for Bessemer billets, on a basis satisfactory to both companies. When the United States Steel Corporation was formed and took over the Carnegie Steel Company and the American Steel and Wire Company, the Carnegie Steel Company was furnishing us—a direct competitor of the American Steel and Wire Company—with billets to enable us to compete with the American Steel and Wire Company. Appreciating that these conditions could not be satisfactory to both companies very long, we began to protect ourselves by securing fuel and coking coal and ore properties, and have under construction two blast furnaces and an open hearth plant and blooming mill, which will be the most complete to date.

The Sharon Steel Company has in operation one blast furnace, 10 open-hearth furnaces, blooming mill, tin plate mill, rod, wire and nail mill, and have under construction two blast furnaces, a by-product coke plant, a plate and skelp mill, tube mill and sheet mills.

It will be seen that the new Union Steel Company has quite a production of open-hearth steel, which will be doubled soon as the new works at Donora are completed. The open-hearth and finishing mills throughout at Sharon are strictly first-class in every respect, being all new and modern.

Within the last couple of years the steel business has been changing rapidly, and the cost of producing open-hearth steel has increased very materially on account of the advance in scrap. The steel casting plants are very largely responsible for this condition, because the use of steel castings has increased wonderfully, and there have been a number of open-hearth steel plants built throughout the country.

Value of Open-Hearth Steel.

It is conceded that open-hearth steel is better for many purposes than Bessemer. This is particularly true of steel for plates and structural shapes. For nails, tin plate, sheets, wire and a great many other purposes it is not one particle better, and, in fact, hardly as desirable. For example: The very finest open-hearth steel cannot be used for nails, because it would be too soft. It is possible, however, to make open-hearth steel that is suitable for nails. The Sharon Steel Company has demonstrated this fact. It is also a success in tin plate, but the Bessemer is more desirable, except for stamping purposes. But the most serious objection, from a manufacturer's standpoint, to the use of open-hearth steel for these purposes, is because it costs more to manufacture, under the present condition of things.

The United States Steel Corporation has plenty of Bessemer capacity for taking care of the tin plate, sheet, wire nail, barb wire, etc., of the country, but it is short in open hearth capacity in other lines, as the use of open hearth steel has been increasing very rapidly. We have open hearth plants, but no Bessemer works nor the ores for supplying a Bessemer works. The United States Steel Corporation, however, is the largest producer of scrap in the country, and has a selection of choice, heavy melting scrap for its open hearth plants that cannot be secured by any of its competitors, and enables them to produce open hearth steel at the lowest possible cost.

Appreciating this condition, and realizing that for the finishing mills a Bessemer steel would be more suitable and cheaper to manufacture, we felt that it was only good business to dispose of our properties. If the open hearth steel had not developed so rapidly and scrap could be purchased as cheap as it was a few years ago, then open hearth steel could compete very successfully with the Bessemer for common purposes, but it is becoming too valuable and expensive to use in competition with Bessemer.

Auditors Will Get Busy.

The basis of the deal is practically the same as that of the terms of the merger of the Union and Sharon Steel Companies. In this latter the Mellons, Senator Flinn and George W. Darr figured the assets of the two companies at about $33,000,000 and planned to issue about this amount of the authorized stock issue of $50,000,000. Now, while the Sharon and Union people are waiting for the results of detailed audits to arrive at actual values, the Union company auditors being at work on the books of the Sharon company and those of the Sharon company on the Union, the Steel Corporation will start a new set of auditors at work on both. This expert work will figure values closely.

Those closely associated in the progress of affairs, figure that the Steel Corporation will at once throw $41,500,000 of the new 5 per cent bonds into the deal. These will cover upward of $3,500,000 of Sharon interest bonds now outstanding and the bonds necessary to retire these Sharon securities will probably be held in escrow.

Division of the Bonds.

The shareholders of the Sharon company will get in the new bonds between $13,500,000 and $14,000,000. The Union Steel Company interests will get the rest of the $33,000,000, or $31,000,000, whatever the properties aggregate in values.

Judge Gary figures that in the northwest mining properties that are being developed there are 40,000,000 tons of ore. The Union interests figure in some lower grade ores that are owned, and swell the estimate to about 70,000,000 tons. The character of this ore was a factor in the closing of the deal for the merger of the Union and Sharon companies. The Union Company owned the bulk of the ore, but while it was rich and high in its percentages of iron, it did not possess the structure of the ore of one great property of the Sharon Company, and the two ores combined were regarded as the best possible raw material with which to start manufacture.

Henry C. Frick, who is heavily interested in the Union Steel Company, has not appeared in the negotiations under way. He did not sign the articles of agreement, but nothing was done without his concurrence. During the important final negotiations in Pittsburgh last Saturday there were frequent movements between the Frick and Carnegie buildings, Chairmen Perkins and Gary of the two important committees, spending as much time in the Frick building with Mr. Frick, as in the offices of Judge Reed.

Part Played by Judge Reed.

Judge Reed has been the counsel in practically all the great developments in steel concerns since this new decade of consolidation began. As chief counsel for the Carnegie Steel Company, Limited, he took important part in the organization of the greater Carnegie Company, and then in the organization of the United States Steel Corporation, becoming in this a director.

Mr. Frick's part, regardless of his large interests in the United States Steel Corporation and the Union Steel Company, is declared to have been a passive one in the closing of the Corporation-Union deal. He was at the dinner given by Judge Reed at the Hotel Schenley the day the inspection party arrived here and the next night he was host to this party, but it is said that no business was combined with these social functions.

Short Road May Be Built.

The Union Steel Company has locations and a charter for a line of 21 miles from its coking operations in the "Klondyke" to the works at Donora, and this may be built. The coke properties of the Union and Sharon interests are very near each other in the Fayette county fields, and amount to about 5,000 acres of coking coal. The Union company, to develop this, had formed the Republic Coke Company, and the Sharon company had a subsidiary coke concern of its own. The fuel coal property of the Union company is in Mercer county and near Rices and Brownsville, along the Monongahela river.

The Steel Corporation plan to create a cash fund of $10,000,000 means a gigantic development. Plans of the combined Sharon and Union interests will probably be much upset, it being unlikely that the plan to erect a large rail plant will be carried out. The Union company has arranged to erect two additional blast furnaces at Donora, and these will be much needed. There will also be a heavy cost for completing work now under way. The three Sharon furnaces will have a capacity of 1,500 tons of pig iron daily, one being a 600-ton stack and the others 400 tons. The two furnaces that are being erected at Donora are of 500 tons each, and these will probably be duplicated.

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DEATHS.

AGNEW—On Tuesday, December 16, 1902, at 5 p. m., MARY W., adopted daughter of Mrs. Mary D. Agnew.

Funeral services at her late residence, No. 70 Dithridge street, this evening at 8 o'clock. Interment private on Thursday morning.

BARR—On Monday, December 15, 1902, at 8:15 p. m., MARY DYER, relict of James B. Barr, in her 73d year.

Funeral services at the residence of her son-in-law, S. D. Sleeth, No. 301 Welsh avenue, Wilmerding, Pa., on Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Carriages will leave the office of Thomas B. Moreland, 6104 Penn avenue, East End, at 11:30 a. m.

EVANS—On Tuesday, December 16, 1902, at 7:30 p. m., at her residence, No. 13 Shingiss street, MISS ELIZABETH, daughter of the late John Evans, in her 63d year.

Notice of funeral later.

HALE—On Tuesday, December 16, 1902, at 9 p. m., ISAAC HALE, aged 61 years.

Funeral services at the residence, No. 1125 North Euclid avenue, East End, Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment private. Please omit flowers.

HOON—On Tuesday, December 16, 1902, at 11 p. m., DR. A. WILBER HOON.

Funeral services at his late residence, No. 4 Blackadore avenue, East End, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment from Second United Presbyterian church, Mercer, Pa., on Thursday at 2 p. m.

LITTLE—Suddenly, on Tuesday morning, December 16, 1902, EDWIN EBBERT LITTLE.

Funeral services on Thursday, December 18, at 2:30 p. m., at his late residence, No. 5310 Westminster street. Interment private.

MARTIN—Suddenly, on Monday, December 15, 1902, at 11:04 a. m., JOHN MARTIN, in the 47th year of his age.

Funeral services at his late residence, No. 730 Summerlea street, East End, on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private at a later hour.

[Cincinnati, Galion and Marion (O.) papers please copy.]

MILLER—On Monday evening, December 15, 1902, at 9 o'clock, DR. WILLIAM W. MILLER, aged 56 years.

Funeral services at his late residence, 214 North Highland avenue, East End, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

PIERCE—On Monday, December 15, 1902, at 4:15 p. m., HENRY M. PIERCE, aged 43 years.

Funeral from his late residence, No. 260 Park avenue, East End. Time will be given later.

[Indiana (Pa.) papers please copy.]

RUSSELL—Suddenly, on Monday evening, December 15, 1902, at 10 o'clock, at his residence, 226 Bertha street, Mt. Washington, WILLIAM O. RUSSELL, aged 58 years.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

[Tiffin (O.) and Bedford (Mass.) papers please copy.]

SMAY—On Tuesday, December 16, 1902, at 12:30 a. m., HELEN, relict of Jeremiah Shay.

Funeral services from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Lena Whittaker, Hazelwood avenue, near Frank street, on Thursday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Solemn high mass of requiem at St. Stephen's church, Hazelwood, at 9. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

SMIT—On Tuesday, December 16, 1902, at 1 a. m., MRS. KATE, relict of M. J. Smit.

Funeral from her late residence, No. 114 Graham street, East End, on Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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Two fine Kimballs, one in walnut and the other in a mahogany case will go for $250 each. They are beauties, and can hardly be told from entirely new.

A full size, well-known New York made upright, with ivory keys, and full iron frame, will go for $130. An excellent chance for some economically disposed person.

A Krenisch & Bell will go for $135, and a Chickering for $110.

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You have chronic catarrh, have you? You have had it some time? And could not find a cure?

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Get a bottle of Peruna and take a tablespoonful between each meal and at bedtime. When you have continued this for thirty days sit down and write a letter to Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O. Tell him exactly your symptoms; how long you have had catarrh; what effect the medicine has had on you. He will answer your letter promptly, telling you what to do further. He will make no charge. And if you will continue to write to the doctor you are sure to get cured. Some cases take longer than others. Perhaps the average length of time it takes to cure a genuine case of catarrh is three months. Some get cured much quicker than this. Stubborn cases may require longer treatment. Time or trouble ought to be no barrier to one afflicted with this dreadful disease.

All people who are interested in knowing about catarrh can get an instructively illustrated 64-page book on chronic catarrh in all stages and location, free of charge.

Thomas H. Baker, U. S. Marshal, Tennessee, Editor of Tennessee Republican, postoffice address Memphis, Tenn., writes:

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Happiest day of all the year. Everybody looking for good things to add festive cheer to the Christmas dinner. You can call on this grocery store for the choice and dainty things—the very cream of best known makes. Real delicacies with Haslage reputation for excellence back of them all.

HERE'S A HELPFUL LIST:

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Mens Raincoats in Cheviots, Meltons, Worsteds—cravenette of course, tans, blacks, oxfords, overplaids, mixtures, silk or self-lined shoulders.

10.00 to 35.00

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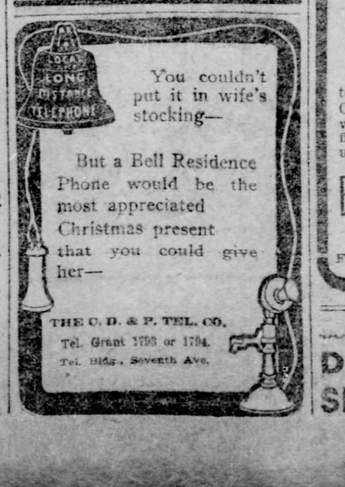

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But a Bell Residence Phone would be the most appreciated Christmas present that you could give her—

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Instructors to Teach You.
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published today for two important reasons.

First, because they're the lowest prices for the kind and grade of Furs.

Second, because it's about the time men make up their minds quickly as to what they'll get for Ladies for Christmas, and it's so often Furs, that we think this list will be a help to the men, and bring more business to the store.

Not only because the list is a help, but because we assert emphatically the Furs are better and stand ready to prove it.

Talk is cheap, but it takes facts to prove an argument.

The Furs and the prices we're satisfied to abide by.

Nearseal Coats, $25.00.

Nearseal Coat with Beaver Collar and Reveres, $40.00.
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Fine Nearseal Coat, 24 inches long, with rich silk lining, $50.00.
Plain fine Nearseal Blouse, $50.00.

Nearseal Blouse with Golden Beaver Collar, Reveres and Cuffs, $65.00.
Plain Persian Lamb Coats, $65.00.

Persian Lamb with Mink Collar and Reveres, $125.00.
Persian Lamb Blouse with Baum Marten Collar, Reveres and Cuffs, $150.00.

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Prime Alaska Sealskin Coats, $200.00, equal of any coat at Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

Magnificent 34 inch extra wide and full fine beautifully marked Mink Cape with Mink tail border, $200.00.
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Five hundred Sable Fox Neck Pieces, $8.50, $10.00, $12.50, $15.00 to $45.00.

Baum Marten Neck Furs $30.00 to $225.00.
Blended Marten Neck Furs, $18.50 to $65.00.

Squirrel Neck Furs, $8.50 to $100.00.
Chinchilla Neck Furs, $18.50 to $135.00.

Black Lynx Neck Furs, $18.50 to $75.00.
Blue Lynx Neck Furs, $15.00 to $65.00.

Persian Lamb Neck Furs, $25.00 to $90.00.
Mink Neck Furs, $5.00 to $150.00.

Electric Seal Neck Furs, $2.50 to $8.50.
Muffs, $1.00 to $275.00.

Fur Setts, $5.00 to $2,500.00.
Children's Fur Setts, $1.00 to $28.50.

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Big lot, larger variety, carefully made, choice laces and insertions, splendid Bobbinets bought for a Christmas Sale, arrived late, therefore prices on to make up for the lateness, and make a great Sale of it yet.

Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains with Lace Insertion, $1.00 a pair.
With Lace Insertion and Edge, $1.35.
With Lace Insertion and Hem'd Flounce, $1.50.
With Lace Insertions and edges—finer Laces, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50, $4.00, $4.50, $5.00, $6.00 a pair.

Values absolutely unparalleled and all clean, fresh goods just from the factory.

Sale of finely finished decorated Wood Vassar Boxes that are usually sold for five-fifty, $3.00 each.

Store will not be open any evening this week except Saturday.

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ALVIN—E. H. SOTHERN.
Tonight and Thursday at 8 o'clock sharp—"IF I WERE KING." Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:45 and Saturday Matinee at 1:45—"HAMLET."

EXTRA—NEXT WEEK.
MR. WEEDON GROSSMITH
and His Entire English Company in "THE NIGHT OF THE PARTY."
Seats Ready Tomorrow.

GRAND—The New Stock Co.
Every Afternoon at 2:15. Evenings at 8:15. Dion Boucicault's Great Irish Play, "ARRAH-NA-POGUE." Seats Now on Sale for the Xmas Pantomime, Little Red Riding Hood. Commencing Dec. 22d.

EMPIRE—UP-TOWN COLLINS AVE. Reached by all Street Car Lines.
THIS WEEK OVER NIAGARA FALLS
Mats. Wednesday and Saturday. Xmas week, a musical comedy, "The Major and the Judge."

AVENUE THEATER Continuous Refined Vaudeville
From 1:30 to 10:30 p. m. daily. Beginning Dec. 15, magnificent bill—Headed by MARCEL'S LIVING ART STUDIES—The Sensation of Europe & the East. Popular Prices: 15, 25, 35, 50c.

DUQUESNE Star Vaudeville MATINEES, Tues, Thurs and Sat.
Clayton White & Marie Stuart, Kathryn Osterman, Mouny Toon Duo, Burmese Jugglers and 7—OTHER BIG ACTS—7

Bijou Bargain Mats. Mon., Wed. and Sat. Best Reserved Seats 25c and 50c. This week.
A KENTUCKY FEUD.
Prize buck and wing dancing Friday night. Next Week—"A RAGGED HERO."

Harry Williams' Academy
Matinee Today 2; Evening 8. "The Best Show of the Season." Harry Morris in
"NIGHT ON BROADWAY"

Gas and Oil Stoves

Our line this season is the most complete ever placed on sale—new designs, new styles, excellent finish, and economy in fuel consumption make them the most desirable goods on the market.

We invite the trade to call and see them.

Bindley Hardware Co.,
WHOLESALE,
Seventh Ave. and Grant St.
"Everything in Hardware."

QUAY KEPT BUSY SHAKING HANDS

Several Pennsylvania Politicians Visit Party Leader in Washington.

NOT SEEKING OFFICES

Von Bonnhorst and Murray Deny That Banking Commissionership Is the Object of Their Visit.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.

This city was honored by the presence of a number of Pennsylvania politicians today. There were here former Senators William Flinn and J. S. Weller, George M. von Bonnhorst and County Commissioner Murray of Pittsburgh, Larry Eyre, superintendent of public grounds and buildings, and Attorney General Elkin. They were not in one party, as would scarcely be expected, and they left on afternoon trains, with the exception of Messrs. Elkin and Eyre.

Messrs. Von Bonnhorst and Murray stated that they were here to confer with Representative Acheson concerning some matters in their congressional district, especilly the postoffice at Oakdale, which has been advanced to a presidential office. They saw Senators Quay and Penrose. When asked if his visit was in connection with his candidacy for the appointment of banking commissioner in Gov. Pennypacker's cabinet, Mr. Von Bonnhorst said:

"No; we are not here on that matter. We live in Mr. Acheson's district and there are a number of local matters on which we wished to consult him."

Politicians in Washington who are familiar with the situation in Pennsylvania are confident that Mr. Von Bonnhorst will get the banking commissionership. Mr. Elkin and Mr. Eyre said that they were not here on a political mission, but were looking after some business affairs. When asked if he was trying to help Mr. Eyre retain his position under Gov. Pennypacker, Mr. Elkin said: "I would be glad to see Eyre hold his position, but I am not here in his behalf. My business is of a personal character."

Mr. Elkin and Mr. Eyre called upon Senators Quay and Penrose, but their interviews were brief. Senator Flinn said that he and Mr. Weller, who is his attorney, were here on business that had no political significance. When asked if he had seen Senator Quay or Penrose, he said: "I have not."

They left on an afternoon train for Baltimore. L. W. STRAYER.

FALL REVEALS SECRET OF BUFFALO WOMAN

Had Masqueraded as a Man and Was Bridegroom in Two Weddings.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BUFFALO, Dec. 16.—For 19 years Harry Norman masqueraded as a man, finding no difficulty in obtaining employment paying enough to make life possible, when yesterday afternoon a false step on the icy pavement brought to light a secret carefully guarded all that time. Indeed, so well was the disguise that (he) she has been twice married, he (she) acting as bridegroom.

The woman came from England 10 years ago and found no welcome from employers who had work to give out. The work was not suitable for a woman, they said. Determined to make her way, she donned men's clothes, and since that time has drifted from one position to another, finding no difficulty in obtaining work.

Last night, while walking up Michigan street, Norman slipped on the icy sidewalk and fell, sustaining a fractured leg. The emergency ambulance was called and the patient removed to the hospital, where her secret was discovered and her story told. She was later removed to the Sisters' hospital in Main street.

On September 20, 1896, Harry was married by Alderman Joseph Butler to Agnes Gordon. At the time of the marriage the bridegroom gave the age as 32 years, occupation, cook, and birthplace Yorkshire, Eng. This was his second marriage.

Agnes Gordon Norman lived with her husband until about a year ago. Since that time Harry has had a room at No. 325 Seneca street, where the landlady said this morning that he was quiet, only when his pet cat, George, ran away. "Then he swore," she says, "like any other gentleman."

"His wife never lived here," she added, but came often and took his laundry away. Sometimes she scolded him because his room was not neat. Why he acted like any man, and the cartman that lives downstairs here often used to get Harry to go out with him nights and get a few drinks."

Everybody around Seneca, Chicago and Michigan streets knew "Harry, the cook," as they called him.

In 1898 he lived at No. 21 Myrtle avenue, where it was thought he had come from Rochester and had a son who is now about 18 years old.

TOPPLED INTO CREEK.

Train Wrecked Near Trestle by Rail Being Removed from Track. Express Messenger Killed.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Dec. 16.—A southbound train, from Cincinnati to New Orleans, on the Alabama Great Southern railroad was wrecked 70 miles south of Birmingham today, a rail having been removed near a trestle which spans a small creek.

The locomotive left the track and toppled into the creek. The mail, baggage and express cars and two coaches followed.

Express Messenger Colson was killed. Mail Clerks Kelly and Riggs and Fireman Durr were severely hurt. The few passengers aboard escaped unharmed.

ANDREW CARNEGIE AS SANTA CLAUS.

A Happy Hit Adroitly Made in a Clever Advertisement.

The readers of yesterday's Chronicle Telegraph were greatly diverted by the picture which appeared in Campbell's book announcement—an excellent likening of Andrew Carnegie, in Santa Claus garb, wearing a Scotch plaid tunic, fur lined, with a bag pack of books on his back variously labeled "Rollo in Scotland," "The Scottish Chiefs," "Burns," "Scott," "Sketches from Skibo," etc., while extended in the hand of the generous Pittsburgher was a copy of "Triumphant Democracy." The heading of the announcement was "Be a Literary Santa Claus—Give a Book."

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

FIVE CHILDREN DEAD FROM GAS EXPLOSION

Mother, Herself Badly Hurt, Crazed by Accident Which Killed Her Little Ones.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.

The five children of George Phelurgia of Fort Lee, N. J., were killed this afternoon by an explosion of acetylene gas at their home. The mother of the children is hovering between life and death at the Englewood hospital. She is crazed by the loss of her little ones and injured internally herself, but the doctors hope to save her life.

The father is a manufacturer of stoves. He had a tank of the gas in his cellar. It is not known how it happened to explode. The children, who were playing in an upper room, were buried, and the ruins which entombed them caught on fire and roasted their bodies. Fragments of the building were found hundreds of feet away.

The dead in the phelurgia family are: Ida, age 14; Tilly, 12; Irene, 10; Adeline, 7, and George, 5. The mother was found 200 feet from where the explosion took place. Her right arm was almost torn from her body.

The accident occurred shortly after noon. The house was situated in Linwood avenue, a short distance from the Institute of the Holy Angels, and was a neat two-story frame cottage.

Phelurgia and his sons, Louis and Anthony, were in New York at the time, while the eldest, Clorinda, was also in New York making Christmas purchases for her brothers and sisers. When the father returned home about 4 o'clock he found his home in ruins, while in an adjoining house lay the bodies of his children. He was almost frantic and his grief was pitiable. Taking up each in turn he clasped the little bodies to his breast.

DR. FENNER'S KIDNEY and Backache CURE

All diseases of Kidneys, Bladder, Urinary Organs. Also Rheumatism, Backache, Heart Disease, Gravel, Dropsy, Female Troubles.

Don't become discouraged. There is a cure for you. If necessary write Dr. Fenner. He has spent a life time curing just such cases as yours. All consultations Free.

"Your Kidney and Backache Cure has cured two very bad cases among our customers the past year whom the doctors had given up. J. L. STILL & CO., Woodland, Ia."

Druggists, 50c., $1. Ask for Cook Book—Free.

ST. VITUS' DANCE Sure Cure. Circular, Dr Fenner, Fredonia, N. Y.

HAMLINS

WIZARD OIL CURES ALL PAIN, SORENESS, SWELLING AND INFLAMMATION FROM ANY CAUSE WHATEVER. AT ALL DRUGGISTS. 50 CENTS.

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If you have not heard this marvelous player you have not heard the best player now made.

The CECILIAN PLAYS the piano—does not THUMP nor BANG, and with the accessories for controlling the expression, accelerating or retarding the tempo—softening the bass so melody in treble will speak out distinctly, or vice versa—softening the treble when melody lies in bass—the accentuation of individual notes, etc., and ease of operation, IT HAS NOT AN EQUAL. Do not fail to hear the CECILIAN. Cash or easy payments.

CHAS. M. STIEFF,
GIS PENN AVENUE.

Spain's famous artist, Madrazo, is now in Pittsburgh, by Wm. G. Kaufmann, in The Sunday Gazette.

A Practical Christmas Gift

Give the young folks a chance—Start them right and failure in life is almost impossible. A savings account is the best teacher of thrift, and early life is the time to educate this trait. You can open a savings account with this bank for yourself or any member of the family with any sum from a dollar up on which Four per cent interest, compounded twice yearly, is paid.

Put a Bank Book in the Stocking of your boy or girl—it is a practical and delightful way of remembering them at this Christmas time. A good thing by the way for one's self.

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Two Weeks to Three Months in the Tropics.
Round Trip Rate From Pittsburgh..... $53

Rate includes transportation only between Pittsburgh and Baltimore or Washington.

For detailed information address Thos. E. Watt, P. A. W. D., 360 Fifth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., or George W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia, Pa.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, Gen. Manager. J. R. WOOD, Gen. Pass. Agent.

THURSDAY EVENING OUR STORE WILL BE OPEN, Likewise Every Evening After Thursday Until Christmas.

Campbell's

What's Down Stairs?

Interesting Possibilities of All Sorts for People in Quest of Gift Goods. Look at These:

Mexican Hand-Drawn Linens.

The Mexican women are not greatly gifted in many directions, but in one art they excell. Some of the finest hand-drawn linens produced anywhere come from the country south of the Rio Grande. We are showing a colection of them for Christmas—so dainty and exquisite that the few we have been able to get will not last longer than this week. You will find them downstairs.

—Mexican Hand-drawn Fringed Doylies, 4 inches square, 15c, 20c and 25c.

—Mexican Hand-drawn Stand Squares, in the most charming open-work effects. Eleven-inch size, 65c; 17-inch size, $1.50; 18-inch size, $2.25.

—Mexican Hand-drawn Table Squares, size 20x30 inches, for $3.50.

—Mexican Hand-Drawn Bureau Scarfs, 18x54 inches, with three rows of open-work and handsome hemstitching, for $5.00.

Bathrobe Blankets.

Handsome, fleecy Blankets with Jacquard borders, crochet edges and figured centers—tan, brown or red, which can be made up into Bathrobes, or used for Slumber Robes or Couch Covers, for $1.50 each.

Handsome Bed Blankets.

Saxony All-Wool Blankets, in the most delicate and pleasing all-over plaids—combinations of pink, green-and-white, 11-4 size, with crochet edges, for $5.50 per pair.

Table Covers.

Silk-mixed Tapestry Table Covers, with tasseled fringe all around, in the richest and most pleasing color combinations, measuring full two yards square, for $5.00. Cheaper ones if you want them.

Piano Covers.

Fine all-wool Covers, silk embroidered with scalloped edges, for square pianos or uprights. Prices $3.50 to $8.50.

Silk-and-Cotton mixed Scarfs for upright pianos, with tasseled fringe, from $5 to $15.

Skirt Patterns.

Flannelette Skirt Patterns, in gray-and-black combinations, with crochet edges, put up in a neat box, for 25c.

Flannelette Skirt Patterns, with deep flounce, in combinations of black-and-white, brown-and-white, gray-and-white, pink-and-white and red-and-white, in box, for 49c.

All-Wool Skirt Patterns, in black, blue or red grounds, with white hair line stripes and snowflake borders, with crochet edge, for $1.19.

Drygoods Dolls.

Life-size figures of dolls, front and back, printed on twilled drill, with full directions for making. 19c per sheet.

Gift Garments for Men.

Men's Bath Robes and Lounging Robes—A special number, made of heavy golf cloth, with the same plaid finish on both sides, in subdued but pleasing colors—garments worth $15, for $10.

Men's House Coats or Smoking Jackets—In plain tricots and broadcloths, satin and sateen lined; also in golf cloths with neat plaid backs. Our prices $3.75, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00 and upward to $12.50.

Men's Sweaters—In extra heavy weights, plain and fancy colors, same with the athletic or double collars. Good strong values at $1.50, $2.00, $2.50 and $2.75.

Men's Dainty White Sweaters—In fancy weaves, edged with green—a very comfortable garment for hockey or skating—can be worn by either men or women—for $3.50.

Boys' Sweaters—The all-wool kind, in neat styles and solid colors with contrasting stripes, separate collar and cuffs, $1.00 and $1.50 each.

Men's Cardigan Jackets—Plain or fancy fronts; very fine worsted garments, in black, navy and brown, $2.00, $2.25, $2.50 and $3.00 each.

Men's Dress Shirts—More than you think bought for Christmas Gifts. We have an unusually large assortment in the new neat effects, with stiff bosoms and separate cuffs, made from the best percales and madras—blue-and-white, black-and-white and pink-and-white, for $1.00 and $1.50 each.

Tips from Toyland.

New Arrivals Still Coming In—A Marvelous Display downstairs.

Sets of Doll Furniture—Sofa, two armchairs, four side chairs, footstool and parlor table, 59c to $2.00.

Doll Toilet Sets—Comb, brush and hand-mirror, 25c.

Doll Neckwear—Beads and locket, 25c.

Punching Bags—Not a toy, but substantial bags that will endure all sorts of hard knocks—with stand, $1.50 and $1.98.

Race Courses—The kind where the movement of a lever starts half a dozen horses around the course with the result in doubt—$1.00 to $2.00.

The Big Bear—(Maybe you saw him in the window). Stands 3 feet high, covered with real bear skin, wears a muzzle, beats a gong and is the delight of the children—Price $35.00. (And worth it, too.)

Real Pool Tables—With genuine rubber cushions, green baize covers, hardwood frame, two cues, set of balls and triangle—the delight of the boys. Two sizes, $5.00 and $8.75.

Sets of Tools—On card—a pair of pinchers, screwdriver, gimlet, scroll saw, anvil and hammer, 25c set.

Steel Wheelbarrows—With hardwood frames and iron wheels—can't break them—69c and 85c.

"Mians"—Cats with open mouths that invite you to throw a ball into them—25c each.

Child's Dressing Tables and Bureaus—Hardwood, with mirror fronts and drawers, $3.75 to $4.00.

Pertinent Points.

Glove Exchange Cards—With every pair of gloves sold for gift purposes we furnish a card which tells the recipient that they are exchangeable for any other desired size in color any time before New Year's.

Free Watches—We give a splendid Nickel-plated Watch, guaranteed to keep good time, to every man who buys an Overcoat or a Suit costing $7.50 or more this week. Also with every boy's Suit or Overcoat costing $3.50 or more.

Bric-a-Brac, China, Etc.—On the second floor, where you find plenty of elbow room. 'Way-down prices.

Book Catalogues—If you select books by catalogue call for one today or tomorrow. We have less than 200 copies left.

Mail Orders—All correspondence receives immediate attention. Write for what you want.

Pittsburgh Pictures—Our birdseye view of the city from Mount Washington has "caught on." Chances are that the entire edition of 1,000 will be sold out this week. Only 25c each.

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What's on The 3d Floor?

Many, Many Things That Are Nice for Presents to Persuade You to Go Up in the Elevator. These, for Instance:

Fire Screens.

In antique oak frames, for 39c, 89c and $1.25. Filling to order.

Fire Screens.

Three-fold, in antique oak, for $1.25 and $1.50. Filling to order.

Three-Fold Screens.

Four and one-half feet high, plain or fancy tops, $1.25 to $2.00. Filling to order.

Four-Fold Screens.

Filled with art ticking, in blue, green and red, with fancy basket-work tops, for $4.00.

Piano or Mantel Drapes.

In various handsome effects, 2¾ yards long and 1 yard wide.
—In Sateen, $1.00 and $1.25.
—In Plain Silk, $2.00.
—In Embroidered Silk, $2.25 to $2.75.
—In Silk Tapestry, $2.50.
—In Satin, with knotted silk fringe, $3.75.

Lace Bed Sets.

In the new bobbinet material, with wide flounce—Lace Bed Spread with pair of Pillow Shams or Bolster Cover. Prices $3.50 to $6.50.
Bobbinet Pillow Shams, with ruffles, 75c each. Per pair, $1.50.

Sofa Pillows.

A superb line of made-up Pillows ranging in elegance and prices all the way up the scale, from silkoline-covered Pillows, 18 inches square, at 39c, to the richest down-filled silk-covered Pillows, embroidered in hand-worked designs, at $5, $7.50 and $10.

Strictly Feminine.

Women's White Aprons.

A new line, hemstitched and embroidered in various dainty effects; some of them handsomely tucked with pockets, insertion, etc. Also a collection of large aprons for nurses and waitresses. Prices 25c, 39c and 50c each.

Dainty Undermuslins.

Every season women are tending more and more to the giving of dainty underwear to each other for Christmas gifts. We have just received a new line of women's Gowns, Skirts and Corset Covers, admirably adapted for this purpose. Prices as follows:

—New Gowns at 89c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and up to $2.98.
—New Skirts at $1.50, $1.98, $2.25 and up to $3.98.
—New Corset Covers at 39c, 50c, 69c, 75c and $1.00.

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STEAMER HEN HUR, H. E. Cramer, Master; Ed. Dunn, Clerk, leaves Patterson's wharfboat Monday, 12 m., Thursday, 4 p. m. Connecting with Str. Helen Gould at Parkersburg for Charleston and all way landings. S. R. Patterson & Co., G. H. Ghriest, 307 Water st., Agents. 'Phone 428.

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RAILROADS.

BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD.
(Eastern Standard Time.)
Leave station, Smithfield and Water Sts.:

LINES EAST	Depart.	Arrive.
Cumberland Accom.	* 6:30 am	* 9:15 pm
Connells'v. & Mt. Pleas.	* 6:30 am	† 2:05 pm
Wash., Balto. & N. York	* 7:00 am	* 7:35 pm
Con'v., Un'te & Fairm't.	* 8:00 am	* 7:55 pm
Cumb., Wash. & Balto.	* 1:00 pm	* 8:05 pm
West Newton Accom.	†10:00 am	† 8:00 am
Conn'v., Un'in, Morg'n.	† 1:30 pm	†10:00 am
Connellsv. & Mt. Pleas.	† 1:30 pm	†3:05 pm
Connellsville Accom.	* 4:00 pm	† 5:05 pm
Morgantown, Clarksburg and Weston	† 5:00 pm	†12:50 pm
Philadelphia and New York (Duquesne Lim).	* 3:30 pm	* 9:15 pm
Wash., Balto. & Phila.	* 9:00 pm	* 7:00 am

LINES WEST VIA WHEELING.

Wash. (Pa. & Wheel. Ac.	7:30 am	*10:05 am
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp.	* 8:30 am	* 7:45 pm
Wgn., Zanesv. & Col. Ac.	* 1:00 pm	* 4:00 pm
Wash. (Pa.) and Wheel.	* 4:30 pm	* 6:00 pm
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp.	* 8:30 pm	* 7:45 pm
Wgn., Col. & C. Exp.	†11:59 pm	

LINES WEST VIA AKRON.

Cleve., Akron & Youngst.	* 7:30 am	* 8:15 pm
Chicago & Cleveland	* 3:30 pm	*12:35 pm
Chicago Limited	* 8:15 pm	* 7:40 am

(Leave P. & W. Station, Allegheny.)

Butler	* 7:35 am	† 7:55 am
Butler, Foxburg	† 7:35 am	† 6:25 pm
Butler, Greenville & Erie	† 7:35 am	† 7:20 pm
Butler	†10:45 am	† 7:55 am
Butler, Greenville & Erie	† 1:15 pm	† 1:00 pm
Ellwood City	† 1:15 pm	† 6:30 am
Butler, Clarion & Oil City	3:15 pm	†10:40 am
Ellwood N. Cast., Butler	* 5:30 pm	* 9:35 am
Butler	† 6:15 pm	* 5:25 pm
Butler	*11:30 pm	* 7:20 pm

*Daily. †Daily, except Sunday. ‡Saturday only.

PITTSBURGH & LAKE ERIE R. R.
CLEVELAND SHORT LINE.
Schedule in effect November 23, 1902.

Central Time.	Depart.	Arrive.
Chic. & Cleveland "Flyer"	* 7:00 am	*11:15 am
Youngst'n & Cleve'd Mail	* 8:25 am	* 5:10 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	† 8:25 am	† 6:55 pm
Lake Chau'qua Fast Line	*12:20 pm	* 6:30 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	* 4:20 pm	* 6:05 am
Cleveland & Chicago Ex.	* 2:30 pm	* 1:00 pm
Boston Special	† 4:20 pm	† 6:05 am
Chic. & Cleveland "Flyer"	† 8:00 pm	*11:15 am
Buffalo & Cleveland Ex.	*10:35 pm	* 6:05 am
Cland & Youngs'n Accom.	† 5:25 am	† 9:00 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 6:30 am	† 8:35 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 9:40 am	† 6:45 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	†12:10 pm	† 8:30 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	† 3:30 pm	†12:30 pm
New Castle Express	† 4:20 pm	† 7:30 am
Beaver Valley Express	† 5:25 pm	† 4:15 pm
Fayette City Accom.	† 6:10 pm	† 9:20 am
Fayette C. & N. Haven Ex	* 8:00 am	* 8:00 am
McKeesp't & Fayette City	*11:30 am	*12:40 pm
Fayette City & N. Haven	† 3:30 pm	† 4:50 pm
Fayette City Express	† 5:20 pm	† 7:40 pm

Mon Sunday from Cleveland only.
P., C. & Y. trains for Carnegie, Beadling and Beechmont, 15:25 a. m., 10:15 a. m.
*Daily. †Daily, except Sunday.
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DESSEMER & LAKE ERIE R. R.
Schedule in effect Nov. 23, 1902. Trains leave B. & O. depot, Allegheny (Eastern Standard time.) For Erie, Girard, Conneaut, O., and Meadville, 1:35 a. m. and 1:15 p. m.; Greenville, Mercer, Grove City and Keister, 7:35 a. m., 1:35 p. m. and 3:35 p. m. All trains daily except Sunday.
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Pennsylvania Lines.
By Central Standard Time.

TRAINS.	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Chicago and Cincinnati.	* 1:10 am	* 1:45 am
Indianapolis and St. Louis.	* 1:10 am	* 1:45 am
Fort Wayne and Chicago.	* 1:15 am	* 1:40 am
Tiffin and Toledo.	* 1:15 am	* 1:40 am
Indianapolis and St. Louis.	* 4:50 am	* 5:30 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati.	* 4:50 am	*10:15 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire.	† 5:20 am	† 8:40 am
Wellsville and Bellaire.	‡ 5:20 am	‡ 6:35 pm
Alliance and Cleveland.	† 5:20 am	† 1:15 pm
Alliance and Wooster.	† 5:40 am	†11:30 pm
Jamestown & Youngstown.	† 6:30 am	† 1:20 pm
Ohio Valley Express.	† 6:45 am	† 8:35 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago.	* 7:00 am	* 5:30 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago.	* 7:00 am	* 5:50 am
Tiffin and Toledo.	† 7:00 am	† 5:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire.	† 7:30 am	† 4:35 pm
E. Liverpool and Bellaire.	† 7:30 am	‡ 6:35 pm
Cleveland Fast Line.	* 7:30 am	* 7:40 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati.	* 8:00 am	* 5:40 pm
Erie, Mercer and Oil City.	† 8:05 am	†10:55 am
N. Castle and Jamestown.	* 8:05 am	* 5:30 pm
Youngstown & Ashtabula.	* 8:05 am	* 5:55 pm
Youngstown & Ashtbula.	* 8:05 am	†10:55 am
Columbus and Chicago.	*12:25 pm	* 2:00 pm
Youngstown & Jamestown.	†12:35 pm	† 8:20 am
N. Castle and Ashtabula.	†12:35 pm	† 8:30 pm
Alliance and Cleveland.	† 1:25 pm	† 7:25 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire.	† 1:25 pm	† 7:25 pm
Alliance and Crestline.	* 1:35 pm	†12:50 pm
New Castle and Erie.	* 4:35 pm	* 8:30 pm
Youngstown and Niles.	* 4:35 pm	* 5:50 pm
Mercer and Oil City.	* 4:35 pm	* 8:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire.	† 4:40 pm	† 7:25 pm
Cleveland Special	* 5:00 pm	*11:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire.	‡ 5:10 pm	‡ 9:10 am
N. Castle and Jamestown.	‡ 5:25 pm	‡ 9:05 am
Chicago Special	* 6:30 pm	* 7:45 am
Chicago Limited	* 6:15 pm	* 6:50 am
Columbus and Cincinnati.	* 8:15 pm	* 8:50 am
Indianapolis and St. Louis.	* 8:15 pm	* 8:17 am
Indianap., Louis. & St. L.	* 8:15 pm	* 6:20 pm
Toledo and Detroit.	* 8:15 pm	* 8:17 am
Penna. (Special) Chicago.	*10:10 pm	*10:20 pm
Beaver Falls & N. Castle.	†10:20 pm	† 8:30 pm
Alliance and Cleveland.	*11:00 pm	* 6:40 am
Leave for Washington, D. C.	10:00 pm	6:50 am.

am, 12:00 am, 12:45 am, 11:30 pm, 12:40 pm, 4:10 pm, 5:15 pm, 5:30 pm, 10:30 pm.
Leave for Wheeling, 12:45 am, *8:20 am, 11:50 am, 12:30 pm, *5:15 pm.
Leave for Steubenville, *5:40 am, 12:25 am, 12:30 pm, 4:15 pm, 10:55 pm, 11:35 am.
Leave for Dennison, *5:40 am, 12:30 pm.
Leave Allegheny for Salem and Alliance, 12:35 pm.
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In effect October 5, 1902.
Eastern Standard Time.

FOR PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK, BALTIMORE AND WASHINGTON.

Atlantic Express, daily	3:00 a. m.
Pennsylvania Limited, daily	7:15 a. m.
Day Express, daily	7:30 a. m.
Main Line Express, daily	8:00 a. m.
Harrisburg Mail, daily	12:45 p. m.
Harrisburg Express, daily	4:40 p. m.
Philadelphia Express, daily	4:50 p. m.
Eastern Express, daily	7:10 p. m.
Fast Line, daily	9:00 p. m.
"Pittsburgh Limited," daily, for New York, Baltimore and Washington only	10:00 a. m.

The Pennsylvania Special, daily, for Philadelphia and New York, 11:20 p. m.
Philadelphia Mail, Sunday only, 8:40 a. m.
For Buffalo and Niagara Falls, 9 a. m. and 10:45 p. m. daily.
For Oil City, 6:15, 9:00 a. m., 1:30, 5:05 and 10:46 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m., 5:05 and 10:45 p. m.
For Titusville and Corry, 6:15, 9:00 a. m. and 10:45 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 10:45 p. m.
For Titusville only, 1:30 p. m week-days.
For DuBois, 6:15, 9:00 a. m., 1:30 and 5:05 p. m., week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 5:05 p. m.
For Atlantic City (via Delaware River Bridge, all-rail route), 8:00 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily.
For Connellsville and Uniontown, 5:10, 8:25 a. m., 12:45 and 4:25 p. m. week-days.
For West Brownsville and Uniontown, 10:22 a. m. and 4:20 p. m. week-days. For Belle Vernon and West Brownsville, 6:05, 8:00, 10:25 a. m., 1:05, 4:20 and 6:25 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 8:55 a. m., 1:05, 5:00 and 9:50 p. m.
For West Elizabeth, Dravosburg and Moonsgehela City, 6:00, 8:00, 10:25 a. m., 1:05, 4:20, 5:25, 6:20 and 11:35 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 8:55 a. m., 1:05, 5:00 and 9:50 p. m. West Elizabeth and Dravosburg only, 3:20 p. m. week days.

FROM ALLEGHENY CITY.

For Butler, 6:33, 8:23, 10:33 a. m., 3:03 and 6:13 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 7:03 a. m., 9:33 p. m.

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SITUATION IS DELICATE

Fleet to Be Scattered at Points Distant from Scene of Venezuelan Embroglio During Christmas Holidays.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Disposition of the men-of-war of Admiral Dewey's fleet during the holidays is to be made under the direction of the secretary of the navy in view of the existing complications arising in connection with Venezuela and the wishes of this government not to arouse suspicion unnecessarily by dispatching a large naval force to Venezuelan waters.

Admiral Dewey cabled the department yesterday in regard to the orders for his fleet during the Christmas holidays, though Secretary Moody did not announce the receipt of the dispatch until today. Orders are now in preparation for the various vessels and will be forwarded to the admiral in the next day or two.

No reflection upon Admiral Dewey is intended by the navy department in deciding to give up the orders for his ships instead of giving him a free hand in the matter, as it was expected would be done. That there may be a thorough co-operation of the navy with the state department in the handling of the Venezuelan situation, however, it seemed that the question could be more satisfactorily settled here, as the navy department is in possession of all the facts regarding the action of the allied powers and danger of conflicting with the policy of the state department will be averted. It is unlikely that men-of-war will be sent to La Guayra, the feeling being that the presence of American men-of-war at this time might cause uneasiness among the allied powers as well as offer encouragement to President Castro to maintain his defiant attitude. On the other hand, the situation has grown so acute within the past few days that both state and navy department officials are agreed that it will be unwise to rendezvous the fleet in ports within easy range of the Venezuelan coast.

OPEN EVENINGS
BEGINNING THURSDAY.
Campbell's Store Will Make Due Provision for the Day Workers.

More than a hundred thousand people in Allegheny county cannot get to the retail center to buy Christmas gifts during the daylight hours, without sacrificing a part of a day's wages. So Campbell starts in early to make provision for the holiday evening trade. "The People's Store" will be open tomorrow evening, and every evening thereafter, until Christmas, with a full force of salespeople and all the Christmas goods at their best.

THREE PLAGUE CASES AT SWINBURNE ISLAND

Steamer Saxon Prince Is Held and Will Be Thoroughly Disinfected.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Three cases of bubonic plague are under treatment in the Swinburne island hospital at quarantine. The sufferers are the first and second cooks and the second steward of the Prince line steamer Saxon Prince, which arrived from Durban, South Africa, yesterday.

The first man taken ill, according to the report of Capt. Jamison, was the second cook. He complained to the captain on November 23. The other two cases appeared about two weeks ago. The crew were ashore at Durban, and it is undoubtedly there that the disease was contracted.

The first patient is convalescent, but the other two are still under treatment. All three slept together in a small compartment. The total number of the crew is 31. There are five passengers on board, a woman and four children.

The steamer will be sent to sea to discharge the water and sand ballast taken on board at Durham. She will then return to quarantine, when the passengers and crew will be transferred to Hoffman island and be held for 10 days for observation. The effects of all will be thoroughly disinfected and the steamer will be washed and disinfected in every part before being released. Dr. Doty says that there is no danger of a spread of the plague, as the whole matter is well in hand.

CRUM THE VICTOR.

Charges Filed Against Negro Candidate Are Unfounded and Appointment Will Be Made.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—While no official announcement has been made, it is understood that the president has decided to appoint Dr. W. D. Crum, the colored applicant, as collector of the port of Charleston, S. C.

Investigation of the charge involving the integrity of Dr. Crum have been made by the president, and it is stated they have found to be unwarranted. Unless other charges are made and substituted the president, in accordance with his official intention, will appoint him.

Charged With Cruelty.

John Davis of Fairhaven will have a hearing today before Alderman C. F. Oyer, on the charge of cruelty to animals. Agent James N. Kidney, of the Humane society, alleges that Devlin's two small sons got from a farmer for the asking an old blind horse that he was about to shoot. They and their father fed the horse for awhile, but on failing to improve its condition turned it out in a field, Agent Kidney says, in which snow and mud was six inches deep, and left it there three weeks without shelter.

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COMMISSION FAVORS THE BOARD OF CONTROL

Drafts Bill Making Changes in Government of State Insane Asylums.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Public Ledger Building,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.

The legislative lunacy commission had its final meeting here today and agreed upon its report, which must be submitted to the president pro tem of the senate 30 days before the general assembly organizes.

The commission has decided to recommend the creation of a board of control, the same as is now in operation in the state of New York, and a bill providing for such change has been drafted. The report recommends taking all of its present powers, and they are very circumscribed, from the state board of charities and placing them in an amplified form in the board of control. This, of course, applies simply to the state institutions for the insane.

In New York state the board of control has complete jurisdiction and full powers for the maintenance and direction of these institutions. It appoints and fixes the salaries of all superintendents and employes, transfers them at will where their services are required, purchases all supplies through competitive bidding, and represents the state's interests on a business, instead of a political, basis.

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NEAR AN AGREEMENT.

Question of Price Only Barrier to Treaty With Colombia on Canal Matter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge, who has been clothed with full powers by the Bogota government to sign a canal treaty, was an early caller at the state department today and spent half an hour with Secretary Hay in a further effort to reach an agreement as to the price this country shall pay for the concession. Dr. Herran predicts that the treaty will be ready for submission to congress before Christmas. It is understood both at the state department and the Colombian legation that the question of price is the only barrier now to the conclusion of a satisfactory convention.

Dr. Herran informed the secretary that Minister Concha sailed from New York for South America Saturday last. It is understood he will not return to America. His successor will present his letter of recall.

Bad Pair Sent to the Workhouse.

Bernard and Rosa Brozed, husband and wife, were sent to the workhouse yesterday, by Magistrate Bernard McKenna, as suspicious persons. The man was fined $100, or 90 days to the workhouse, and the woman $50, or 90 days. Mary Chesso, a Hungarian girl, tetified that the man engaged her at an employment office and after she had worked three weeks at his house he put her into a disorderly house and took her earnings. The girl is held on a charge of disorderly conduct and will probably be sent to Johnstown, where she has a sister.

ST. LOUIS COUNCILMAN TO HAVE NEW TRIAL

Supreme Court Finds Irregularity in Conviction of Meisenburg for Bribery.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 16.—In an opinion handed down today, the supreme court at Jefferson City reversed the verdict of the St. Louis circuit court, which found guilty Emil A. Meisenburg, charged with bribery, and remanded the case for retrial.

Meisenburg, a member of the city council, was charged with accepting money from Charles H. Turner, president of the Suburban Railway Company, at a time when his vote was desired to aid the passage of the suburban bill through the council.

Meisenburg admitted receiving the money, but contended that it was in payment for stock in an electrical company bought by Turner. In support of his contention, Meisenburg showed that he had voted against the suburban bill on its passage.

This was the first of the "boodle" cases tried.

The selection of a jury for the joint trial of Charles K. Denny, Edmund Bersch, Charles A. Gutke, John A. Sheridan and T. Ed Albright, former members of the house of delegates, on the charge of bribery in connection with the suburban bill, began today, after Judge Ryan had overruled the demurrer of the defendants' attorneys, and decided that the case must go to trial.

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Thereafter he will hold three receptions daily. From 9 to 12 m., 2:30 to 5 and 7:30 to 9 p. m. Everybody is invited to come and see the thousands of handsome presents he has brought with him for the orphans. A box of candy free to children accompanied by adults.

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Consisting of Muff and Collar of Chinchilla or white Lamb's wool..... $1.25

Children's Fur Sets of fine white Angora, flat Muff and large collar, very full and silky..... $2.50

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JERSEY COATS—Tailor-made Jersey Coats, perfect fitting, in all kinds and styles. Prices $6.00 down to..... $3.00
SWEATERS—A grand assortment of Men's, Boys' and Children's Sweaters, in Jersey wool and worsted, all colors. Prices $5.00 down to..... 75c

HANDKERCHIEFS.

An acceptable and useful gift. Our assortment makes choosing easy.

Women's Handkerchiefs.

In lace trimmed, Swiss embroidered or plain white or fancy bordered hemstitched handkerchiefs, in lawn or linen.
Prices 5c up to $1.50

MEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS:
Come in plain white or fancy bordered lawn or linen, hemstitched.
Prices 5c to 50c
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, lawn or linen, 25c and 13c
Men's Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, finest Japanese silk.
Prices 50c to $1.50
BATH ROBE SETS, put up in a box containing one Robe, two Towels, pair Slippers and pair Bath Mitts.
Prices $10, $7.50 and $5

DOLLS.

Doing an immense Doll business. It's the goods and the prices that's bringing it to us. We guarantee a saving on every purchase.
Dressed Dolls from 10c to $10
Undressed Kid or Jointed Body Dolls, 25c to $6.00
Novelty Dolls, Rubber Dolls, Dolly Vardens, etc, in immense assortment.
Prices $2.00 down to 10c
Doll Heads in bisque or metal, all kinds and styles.
Prices $2.00 down to 13c

SILVER TABLEWARE.

Superb collection of high grade Quadruple plated Silver Tea Sets, Water Pitchers, Baking Dishes, Crumb Trays, etc., in all the newest 1902 styles. Prices that will save you ¼ to ⅓ on every purchase.

Rogers' 1847 Table Ware, Knives, Forks, Tea, Table and Dessert Spoons, Ladles, Butter Knives, Cold Meat Forks, etc., at less than others' prices.

CARVING SETS.
Celebrated Meriden Cutlery Co.'s make of Carving Sets in all grades. Prices
$12.00 down to $2.00

TOILET ARTICLES.
Sterling Silver Toilet articles, in Manicure, Hat, Cloth or Hair Brushes, Mirrors and Manicure Pieces, singly or by the Set at lowest prices.
Ebony and Ebonoid Toilet Articles, such as Military, Hair, Hat and Cloth Brushes, Mirrors and Manicure pieces, with sterling silver ornaments. Our prices on these will save you money.
Fancy Toilet Sets, Work Boxes, Shaving Sets, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Jewel Cases, etc. Grand assortment to select from at lowest prices.

UMBRELLAS.
A matchless line to choose from in Men's and Women's Umbrellas.
Women's Umbrellas, covered with Gloria, Union, Taffeta and all silk, mounted with carved Ivory, Pearl, Gun Metal, Dresden, Natural wood and fancy imported Novelty Handles. Prices
$1.00 to $20.00
Men's Umbrellas, covered with Gloria, Taffeta, Union and all silk, mounted with finest Ivory, Pearl, Silver and gold and Natural wood handles. Prices
$1.50 to $12.00

WEISSER'S
BIGGEST FUR SALE
Ever Held In This City

It will surprise everybody. The stock offered at sacrifice prices represents the entire surplus of one of the most prominent manufacturing furriers of New York. The mild weather frightened him, and he eagerly unloaded his stock to us for considerably less than the goods cost him to make. But YOU know that the coldest weather will soon be here—and furs will be in great demand. Buying furs as Christmas presents is always sensible. And, now that you can save so much on any purchase, you will no doubt gladly avail yourselves of this remarkable opportunity.

SALE STARTS
THIS (WEDNESDAY) MORNING
And Continues Till All These Elegant Furs Are Disposed Of.

Bargains in
Seal Jackets for Christmas

$18.90 — One hundred and sixty-five fine Electric Seal Jackets—guaranteed fur and guaranteed linings. They are 24 inches long; either cuff or bell sleeves. These splendid jackets are actually worth $35. Weisser's sale price..... $18.90

$35.00 — Eighteen best quality Nearseal Jackets, 24 inches long; with collars and revers of beaver or splendid genuine mink; regular price of these beautiful jackets is $60. We regret that there are only 18 of them. To those who are fortunate enough to get them Weisser's sale price is..... $35.00

$148.50 — Nine Alaska Seal Jackets, made of the finest selected skins and treated with the most perfect dye. They are fresh from the workshop and in every detail show the most exquisite workmanship. Heart could not desire anything more elegant and luxurious. These jackets are worth $200 to $225, but for 9 lucky people Weisser's sale price is..... $148.50

Children's Furs for Christmas
Rare Values

This store has always been regarded as headquarters for Children's Furs. And this season we have made special efforts to supply the wants of the little ones. Choice ranges from the least expensive to the most elegant. Prices on all are much below the regular prices. Splendid fur sets for Children during Weisser's sale at..... 90c to $25

Misses' Fur Sets for Christmas

One hundred and sixty Misses' Fur Sets, in blue hair, natural hair, French Chinchilla, mink and French Ermine; actual value $5 a set; choice at Weisser's sale price..... $3.50

The above fur sets are suitable for children of 4 to 10 years. And we mention the price in order to show at what cost such remarkably fine quality of fur sets can be obtained at Weisser's during this sale.

One hundred fur sets of French Chinchilla, suitable for misses about 12 years of age. They are the popular furs this season and the regular price is $8.50 a set; Weisser's sale price..... $4.90

Misses' Stone Marten Scarfs

A lot of Misses' Stone Marten Scarfs; style suitable for young ladies of 14 to 16 years; they are of excellent quality and scarce even at the regular price, $7.50; Weisser's sale price..... $4.90

Bargains in
Fur Scarfs for Christmas

One hundred imitation Mink Scarfs, actually worth $3.50; Weisser's sale price..... $1.90

Eighty fine Beaver Scarfs, actual value $8.50; Weisser's sale price..... $3.90

Thirty extra fine Krimmer Scarfs; regular price $8.50; Weisser's sale price..... $4.90

Two hundred Black Marten Scarfs; actual value $8; Weisser's sale price..... $3.90

One hundred and fifty fine Fox Scarfs, sold regularly at $10; Weisser's sale price..... $4.90

Thirty fine Isabella Fox Scarfs; regular prices $12 to $15; Weisser's sale price..... $8.90

Fifty extra long Sable and Isabella Fox Scarfs; finer quality has never been seen anywhere at any price; large, fluffy, natural fox tails; could not be duplicated for less than $30; Weisser's sale price..... $19.50

Some of the choicest pieces of Chinchilla, Hudson Bay Sable, Blue Lynx, Blue Fox, Baum Marten, Persian Lamb, etc., were included in this big purchase, and our customers reap the advantage. Every one of these fine pieces is now placed on sale at prices correspondingly as low as those advertised.

We have muffs to match any of the scarfs mentioned.

Christmas Furs are among the most delightful of presents. Both old and young regard them favorably. You are sure to please if it's Furs you give.

Weisser, Low & Co. 435 and 437 Market St., Pgh.

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CANDY CATHARTIC
THEY WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP

ANNUAL SALE
10,000,000 BOXES
Greatest in the World

A MILLION GOOD FELLOWS have learned that "a CASCARET at night makes you feel all right—in the morning!" They have told other good fellows, until the sale of CASCARETS Candy Cathartic is nearly A MILLION BOXES A MONTH. Nature punishes every excess, and over-eating, over-drinking, under-sleeping result in stomach, liver, kidney and bowel troubles that are liable to become very serious. It is very unwise to wait until digestion is stopped, the bowels constipated, the tongue coated, the breath offensive, and the nerves tortured with a racking sick headache. Take a CASCARET just before going to bed, and wake up in the morning feeling fine and dandy. All druggists, 10c, 25c, 50c. Never sold in bulk. The genuine tablet stamped C C C. Sample and booklet free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

FEMALE BURGLAR TELLS HOW THE JOB WAS DONE

Woman Confederate Entered the House While the Prisoner Kept Guard Outside--Seventh Ward Election Fights in Court.

Australia Strothers admitted in court yesterday that she was the head of a team of women burglars. She refused to give the name of her confederate, who has so far escaped arrest. Australia pleaded guilty to entering the residence of George W. Lewis, No. 724 North Euclid avenue, and carrying off plunder valued at $250. She was sentenced to the workhouse for two years.

The prisoner, in her statement to the court, said entrance to the house was gained through a kitchen window by her confederate. This woman was in her stocking feet, and ransacked the house while the prisoner kept watch on the outside. Australia furnished the other woman with a general plan of the house and directed her how to proceed.

The first of the cross suits, the result of political differences in the second district of the Seventh ward on election day, resulted in the conviction of Nathan Levenson, a police officer, on a charge of aggravated assault and battery, and the acquittal of Matthew Bell, a colored man, charged with assault and battery. In the latter case the costs were placed on Levenson, the prosecutor. Bell, who was a watcher for the Citizens party, testified that his young son was sent to the polls to tell him dinner was ready. The policeman ordered the boy to move away from the polls, when the father remonstrated, and the difficulty in which Bell was struck over the head by the policeman's mace followed. Levenson contended he had placed Bell under arrest and the latter resisted, holding the mace with one hand and striking the officer with the other.

George Washington and John G. Peters, who pleaded guilty to assault and battery, were fined $20 and costs and $25 and costs, respectively.

John W. Curtis, the colored man, and Yee Tang and Yee Tan, the Chinamen, involved in the Sewickley affair, were all convicted of simple assault and battery.

Samuel Branch and Henry Mitchell were convicted of the larceny of a $75 wagon from Moses Kauffman.

The acquittals were: Julius Hartman and William Harr, charged with false pretense as the result of a horse deal, defendants pay costs; Lucy Jackson, charged with larceny of household articles from Rose Strothers; Emma Harris, alias Emma Kendal, charged with felonious assault and battery. On October 6 last she shot Joe Kendle in the knee with a revolver, in the Point district. It was claimed the shooting was accidental.

McKeesport Still Has Light.

Judge Elliott Rorgers held a partial hearing in the equity case of the city of McKeesport to restrain the Monongahela Light Companies from turning off the city electric lights, as the result of a dispute over the terms of a new contract. Another hearing will be held and in the meantime nothing will be done by either side.

KISSED AND MADE UP.

Woman Who Had Sued for Divorce Forgives Her Husband and Drops the Case.

A petition was filed for a discontinuance of the divorce case of Mary Jane Bowman against Howard M. Bowman. It is alleged the couple have settled their troubles and have been living together at McKeesport.

Attorney Charles W. Hamilton, commissioner in the divorce case of Emma C. Stevenson against Robert Stevenson, filed his report. They were married January 1, 1890, and lived together three months, when the respondent is said to have deserted the libellant.

Anna B. Murry filed a suit in divorce against Kenneth V. Murry, alleging desertion on May 15, 1894. They were married April 8, 1891.

BRAKEMAN NOT BLAMED.

Is Not Held Responsible for Death of Man Under Car.

The grand jury ignored the bill against Edward Ebner, a railroad brakeman, charged with involuntary manslaughter, for the death of Michael Schreiner, aged 59, of No. 135 Ohio street, Allegheny. Schreiner was engaged under a car at Schoenville on October 10 last, when a train bumped into the car, causing injuries which resulted in his death. The grand jury also ignored the bills charging assault and battery against Matthew Weiss, Dr. J. W. Hodgens and George A. Knox. The charges were cross suits, the result of a controversy in Weiss' restaurant on October 16 last.

The true bills returned by the grand jury are as follows:

Assault and battery, Fred Alles, Howard Brown, Harry Bair, Taurish Corea, Thomas Harris, Mary McClain (2), Nick Jacklin, Thomas Teohevy, Sallie Shannon, Mary Stevenson, George Zoog; larceny, Lucy Haley, Louis Meyers (2), William Manuel, Samuel Smith; larceny by bailee, M. Mostabajew (2); receiving stolen goods, William Gunning; entering a railroad car with intent to commit a felony, Barney Molest et al; malicious mischief, Samuel Pontius et al.

Ignored bills—Assault and battery, Hyatt M. Cribbs, William Alexander, Mary Curtis, Ulady Melerowzck; misdemeanor, John T. Taylor, Annie Kulscko, Jacob Misko; larceny by bailee, Jacob Herbert; embezzlement, Andy Buszenski; perjury, Mary Buskar; aggravated assault and battery, Michael Sullivan.

Huckster's Tale of Woe.

A bill in equity was filed yesterday by Morris Goldstein against Bennie Cooper asking that a partnership be dissolved and that a receiver be appointed for their huckster business. The plaintiff claims that he is a foreigners, unable to read or write, and that the defendant, who took absolute charge of the business refused to render an accounting. The plaintiff says the defendant made misrepresentations about the business, and that he, the plaintiff, only received $90 worth of merchandise out of the partnership.

Today's Trial Lists.

Criminal court—Commonwealth versus Nathan Graham, William McClintock, N. Levison, Nick Browinsky, Max Silverman, William Jackson, Annie Hoimnak, Annie Przybtok, Thomas Beaner, Charles Guest, Steve Gayders, Martin Matzek, Butler McClure, Naisbet Oswald, Garant Gerace, Nick Ruschel, Fritz Rupert, Harry Bair, Henry Mitchell, John F. Smoot, W. G. Rose, Salvatore Cemella, James Lowther, George Clark, Bella Lowther (2), Frank Timbulak, Fred Cushman, Thomas Kelly, Carlo De Fazio, Samuel Solato, John Dougherty et al. (2), John Fitzgerald (2), John Serveen, Feltx Cominska, Mike Schollinger Ed McCeunder, Harry Benbach, William Bargen, Harvey Hecht, Coleman Conroy, Marry Carrigan, Jac Umshtak, Jako Umshtak, Joseph Tomko, J. R. Weaver.

Common pleas No. 1—Theliman et al. vs. Duquesne Traction Company, Lappan & Co. vs. Coobran, Stickle vs. Opphger, Alexander vs. Sedwick, City of Pittsburgh vs. Cornelius et al., Gordon Smith Company vs. Kleinschmidt, Romaine vs. Consolidated Traction Company, Bulger vs. Newell etc., Fralich vs. Hall Steam Pump Company, Andree vs. Supreme Tent K. of M. Nurse vs. P., C. & St. L. Ry., Bradshaw vs. Bell.

Common pleas No. 3.—Pennsylvania Steel Manufacturing Company vs. Shields et al., Damascus Steel Company vs. same, Scott vs. Woods, Latimer vs. Watson, Hutchinson vs. Lock et al., Shindler vs. Monongahela Street Railway Company, McCauley Bros. vs. McCormick.

New Suits Filed.

New suits were entered as follows:

COMMON PLEAS COURT NO. 1.

Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Action.
R. T. Carothers	William H. Sims	Assp
Newman Arfield	John C. Connor	Rep
George Gebbie et al	Morris Kaufman	Assp

COMMON PLEAS COURT NO. 2.

G. F. Bardonner—S. H. Spaler et al....Rep
Edward A. Woods—David C. McCawley..Ex att
William T. Leggate—Robert R. Messer..Assp
Morris Goldstein, Bennie Cooper.....Equity

COMMON PLEAS COURT NO. 3.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, use—George J Gerstein et al.....Assp
Moreland Trust Company—Joseph W Penbock.....Assp

Executions Issued.

Executions were issued as follows: Sarah Francis King vs. Charles H. Camp, with notice, $4,203; George C. Bloomer vs. Bernard Rodgers, with notice, $3,615 47; William J. McCullough vs. Joseph Yanski, $355 89; Farmers and Mechanics Saving Fund and Loan Association vs. Sarah Grant, $2,048 42; Thomas Patterson, use, vs. George W. Kline et al., $2,000.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Joseph Fritsch leaves an estate worth $800 to his wife.

The will of James J. Brown, deceased, was filed. His estate is left to his wife.

John Potter took out letters of administration on the estate of Eliza J. Porter, late of McKeesport.

The account of the receiver of Robert L. Adams of Pittsburgh showed a balance due the former of $193 25.

The South Side Trust Company was appointed guardian of Samuel L. Gallford, son of Charles G. Gallford, deceased.

A petition in bankruptcy filed against Charles W. Beese of Franklin in the United States court was withdrawn yesterday.

The following were discharged from bankruptcy: Morris Jaffe, Pittsburgh; Max D. Kloppenburg, Pittsburgh; Albert B. Thaurer, Pittsburgh; John Holleran, Pittsburgh.

A bill of particulars was filed in the case of L. C. Anchor against Mrs. E. M. Shaffer, living in Homewood avenue. It is charged the defendant threw water on the plaintiff.

A statement was filed in the case of A. H. Turner, trustee against the Homewood Subdistrict school, to recover a balance of $14,550 on a contract for the erection of a building.

A verdict for $750 was returned for Hugh Herron in his suit against the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company. The plaintiff's house was damaged by blasting from from a car.

An opinion was handed down by Judge Elliott Rodgers entering judgment in favor of the plaintiff for $874 10 in the case stated of T. Brent Swearingen, assignee of Fleming Bros. against the First National bank of Allegheny. The action was on an old account.

The will of Robert C. Falconer, late of Pittsburgh, was filed for probate yesterday. A coin collection is left to R. H. McCarty and a stamp collection to Paul McCarty. The greater part of the residue of the estate goes to Ella McCarty.

REMOVING HINDRANCE TO UNION OF CHURCHES

Proposition to Eliminate United Presbyterian Declaration Against Slavery.

To allow the Northern and Southern churches to unite, the Rev. G. E. Hawes of Braddock desires the elimination of the article against slavery from the testimony of the United Presbyterian church. He offered a memorial to that effect yesterday in the Westmoreland presbytery, which met in the Parker Avenue church. The article says.

We declare that slave holding, that is, the holding of unoffending human belngs in involuntary bonadge, and considering and treating them as property and subjects to be bought and sold is a violation of the law of God and contrary to both the letter and spirit of Christianity.

The Revs. S. P. McBride, H. W. Miller and Samuel Collins spoke against the change, but it is believed that a majority will favor it.

The presbytery received a call from the First church of McKeesport for the Rev. H. W. Caldwell of Burgettstown.

The Revs. J. B. Ricketts, G. E. Hawes, J. W. Griffith and W. R. Lawrence were elected delegates to the general assembly.

The Rev. J. H. Leech of Jennette presided and the Rev. J. B. Ricketts of Wilmerding was state clerk.

The Allegheny presbytery of the United Presbyterian church met yesterday in Sewickley. Moderator T. C. Anderson presiding. There was a small attendance and only routine business was considered.

Van Rooy With Orchestra.

Friday evening and Saturday afternoon the Pittsburgh orchestra will present a program with only modern names—Liszt, Wagner and Berlioz. Anton Van Rooy, the German opera baritone, from the Metropolitan opera house, New York, will sing Wotan's farewell and two of the songs of Wolfram from "Tannhauser." Two of the orchestral numbers, a Berlioz overture and the symphonic poem, "Orpheus," by Liszt, will be heard for the first time at Pittsburgh orchestra concerts.

Washout Caused Wreck.

Ten freight cars and an engine were wrecked on the West Penn railroad and H. J. Dunmire, a fireman, was seriously injured at Hyde Park, 35 miles from Pittsburgh, Monday night. The wreck was caused by a washout due to the heavy rains of the past few days. The road was blockaded until yesterday afternoon.

"SCISSORS JACK" THE LATEST DEPREDATOR

He Snips Off the Hair of School Girls in the Hill District.

"Scissors Jack" is at work in the Hill district, and four girls attending the Central High school have lost portions of their hair. The feminine portion of that neighborhood, both young and old, mothers and daughters, are in a state of mind closely approaching terror because of these outrages. The man who has been cutting hair is supposed to be demented, for in no case has he cut off strands long enough to sell. A single ringlet, or two inches of clippings seem to satisfy him.

Superintendent of Police John McAleese said yesterday that four girls had been attacked by the man. He commits his depredations in the daytime, by sneaking up behind the girls and cutting off the hair with a pair of scissors. In no case has he violently seized any of the children or harmed them. The superintendent would not give the names of "Scissors Jack's" victims.

One girl, aged about 17 years, while on her way down Bedford avenue last Saturday, felt a slight tug at her hair, and supposing that it was a schoolmate trying to tease her, looked straight ahead and walked on. She expected every moment to have the supposed schoolmate come up alongside, but as no one appeared she looked around. No person was in sight but a man, about 200 feet away. He was looking at something he held in his hand. The girl continued on her way and was later surprised when told that one of her curls had been cut off.

Another girl turned just as the man with the scissors was closing down the blades on four inches of her hair. He held on to the braid long enough to complete the cutting operation, and then ran, leaving the child almost hysterical. The experience of the other victims was similar. They felt the tug at their hair as they were walking and turned around in time to see a man run away.

Stephen Shooting Recalled.

Robert Seibert, 35 years old, who has been in jail since July, was held for court yesterday by Magistrate Henry Hunseshagen of Allegheny on a charge of felonious shooting. Seibert, it is alleged, on July 24, attempted to kill Mrs. Dora Stephen at her home in Locust street, Allegheny, where Seibert boarded. Mrs. Stephen has almost recovered.

Nominations Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The senate today confirmed the nominations of the following postmasters: West Virginia—Thurmond, S. S. Walker; Ravenswood, I. M. Adams; Bluefields, H. L. Shett. Pennsylvania—New Castle, J. A. McKee.

E. W. Grove This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day.

Christmas Games FREE

In each pound package of

Lion Coffee

from now until Christmas will be found a free game, amusing and instructive—50 different kinds.

Get Lion Coffee and a Free Game at Your Grocers.

BAKER'S NORWEGIAN COD LIVER OIL
Get the best—pay a trific more
Jno. C. Baker Co.
Cures and prevents COLDS 10th and Cherry, Philadelphia.

KORNBLUM, OPTICIAN
440 Wood Street, Near Fifth Avenue.

It's Worth While
Looking into the propositions the Provident Life and Trust Company make in the way of Life Insurance. Our premium rate is lower than any other first-class participating company.
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GRAHAM C. WELLS, Gen'l Agt.
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Commencing tomorrow evening and continuing until Christmas, this store will be open evenings till 10 o'clock

Tons of Christmas candies

THE candy store is ready this Christmas as never before with "sweets for the sweet."

Assorted chocolate bonbons—the kind sold elsewhere for 40c lb—here 5 lb. boxes 1.00, or lb. box, 25c

Broken candy—the old fashioned cream mixtures, gum drops, etc.—10 different kinds, sold elsewhere for 15c lb., here at 10c

Fancy French mixed—chocolate creams, assorted caramels, burnt peanuts, etc.—the 25c quality at lb. 15c

Peanut brittle, 15c lb.

Glace fruits—finest quality imported—red cherries and mixed fruits—6 varieties—per lb., 50c

Chocolate honey nougats, 40c lb. box.

"Utopian" chocolates—the highest grade bon bons made—crushed fruit flavoring in 30 delicious varieties—superior to any sold elsewhere for 80c lb., here at 50c

Salted Jordan almonds, 80c lb.

Salted Valencia almonds, 60c lb.

"Le Vere" chocolates—most delicious bon bons—15 different varieties—the best 60c candy made, at, per pound, 40c

Ask for a transfer card and pay for all your purchases at once.

KAUFMANN'S
"THE BIG STORE"

Xmas perfumes and atomizers

WE save you 25 to 33 1-3 per cent. and give you the largest assortment to choose from—both imported and domestic—in bulk or fancy boxes.

Hudnut's box perfumes at 75c

2-oz. stopper bottles of sweet-scented perfume—violet, white rose, crabapple, jockey club, etc., in fancy boxes, at 25c

4-oz. bottle Woodworth's Violets of Sicily, in fancy boxes, for 2.00

Piver's 1¼-oz. bottles imported perfumes—in fancy boxes—at 1.25

A handsome box, containing ½ oz. triple extract—assorted odors—at 2 for 25c, or each 15c

Fancy baskets, containing large bottle of perfume, for only 25c

1,000 atomizers—an importer's sample line of fancy decorated Bohemian glass atomizers, with netted bulbs—worth 50c and 75c—choice today for only 25c

Dependable qualities and low prices go hand-in-hand in our great jewelry department

Jewelry and watches at ⅓ less than jewelers' prices.

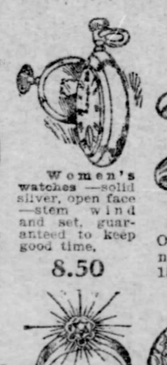
Some folks used to think that dependence couldn't be placed on the quality or reliability of watches or diamond jewelry unless purchased from an exclusive jeweler. We have proven to skeptics that our guarantee with every article carries just as much weight and, in a great many instances, far more, than that of any jeweler in town.

Women's chatelaine watches—new art design, open work or embossed—pin and watch to match, reliable Swiss movement, each one in velvet box, worth $15, 10.50

Chatelaine watches—blue, green, turquoise and red enamel, stem winding and stem setting, 3.98

Men's watches—thin model, open face, 16 size, 20 year gold filled case, 15 jeweled Waltham movement, price 9.98

Women's watches—solid silver or gun metal, Swiss movement, stem wind and set, worth $3.50, at 1.89



Women's watches—solid silver, open face—stem wind and set, guaranteed to keep good time, 8.50

Seal or signet rings—Over 50 styles, solid gold, new art finish, prices 15.00 down to 50c

Solid gold stick pins—for ladies' or gentlemen's scarfs—25 different designs, plain or stone set, price 98c

Women's solid gold rings—set with plain opal, others opal and combination pearls, others rubies and emeralds. Choice for 1.50

Women's rings—genuine pure white diamond, solid gold mounting 3.98

Lockets—solid gold—plain or fancy, 5.98

Chatelaine pins—solid gold, 2.25

Smoking sets—big variety of wood, glass, metal, bronze, silver, etc.—prices range from 5.00 down to 59c

Genuine French briar pipes—sterling silver or gold plated mountings, fine mouthpiece for 50c

Side bags—German silver fish scale pattern, French grey finish—floral designed frame, $4 value for 2.50

Bronze figures—imported from France, 25 designs, 12 to 18 in. high—worth $3.00 to $5.00 choice 1.98

Steel beaded bags—5 in. chamois lined, long fringe, with inside pocket, oxidized frame—worth $1.00, for 69c

Mirrors—heavily embossed sterling silver, French grey finish, heavy French glass—big bargain at 2.75

Side bags—silver, fish scale pattern, leather lined, new art frame in French grey finish, big bargain at 5.98

Toilet sets—3 piece, ebonoid handle, silver mounted, comb, brush and mirror, in neat box for 3.98

Bells—sterling silver handle, grey finish, sweet tone, 35c value 25c

Match boxes—good weight embossed sterling silver, French grey or bright finish, usual $1.00 kind 75c

French opera glasses—excellent lenses, medium size, mother-of-pearl frame, worth 3.50 for 2.50

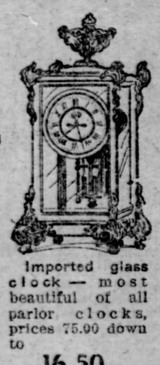
Miscellaneous suggestions

Clocks, silver plated and sterling silverware

It is totally out of the question for us to list even the smallest part of the suggestions we have in our stock for Christmas presents. This small ad. is in the nature of a reminder that our stocks are sufficiently varied in assortment and prices much less than what exclusive stores charge.

Clocks—black, enameled iron, 8-day, hour and half hour strike, cathedral gong, gilt perforated dial, solid brass decorations, mantel size, worth $8.00, for 4.25

Boudoir clock—cupid design, solid gold plated, special price 2.50



Imported glass clock—most beautiful of all parlor clocks, prices 75.00 down to 16.50

Parlor clocks—beautiful Ormolu gold, two large cupids, guaranteed timekeeper, 5.00

Mantel clocks—black enameled iron, brass trimmed, Ansonia movement, half and hour strike, 3.98

Salve jars—with sterling silver top, sale price, 25c

Toilet sets—3-piece, sterling mounted, sale price 75c

Shaving mugs—silver plated, including brush, 1.25

Match boxes—embossed silver, French grey finish, 50c

Frames—solid brass, Florentine cabinet size, 50c

Solid gold and diamond set jewelry—women's solitaire diamond rings 3.98 to 75.00
Brooches and pendants—plain or enameled—pearl and diamond settings 7.98 to 100.00
Men's and women's scarf pins—diamond and pearl settings 3.50 to 60.00
Diamond cuff links—plain, Roman and antique finish 2.00 to 25.00
Lockets—for men and women—all shapes 3.98 to 50.00
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Shoe buttoners—Sterling silver handle, 25c to 2.00
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Dressing combs—Sterling silver handle, 25c to 1.75
Match boxes—Sterling silver, 75c to 5.00
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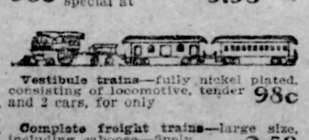

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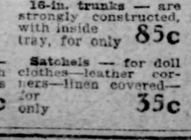

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OBSTRUCTION IS NOT QUAY'S FAULT

Record Shows That He Wishes an Early Vote on the Statehood Bill.

DEBATE IS POSTPONED

Representative Hepburn Argues in Favor of Appropriating Half a Million to Secure Evidence Under Sherman Law.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.

By unanimous consent the debate on the statehood bill has been postponed until after holidays. When the senate convenes again, on January 15, it will come up as unfinished business. Time is what the opposition wants and every excuse is being utilized to delay a vote.

Senator Dillingham continued his discussion of the bill today after the arrangement had been made that at the conclusion of his speech the debate would go over until after the holiday adjournment. Senator Quay, however, insisted that when the senate convened again the opposition should be prepared to go ahead with the discussion, and this was agreed to.

The question arises who would be considered as blocking legislation. Those who support Mr. Beveridge and his faction will no doubt point to Mr. Quay and say that he is responsible for the hold-up, but the Pennsylvania senator would be able to refute such a charge by reference to the record, which will show that from the first he has asked for an early vote on the statehood bill.

Oakdale Postoffice Matter.

On January 1 the postoffice at Oakdale, Allegheny county, will be raised to the presidential class, its gross receipts having exceeded $1,900 a year. Representative Acheson will probably recommend the appointment of the incumbent, Mrs. Elsie Rhodes, for another term, although an attempt has been made by another applicant to displace her.

Quay Files Petitions.

Senator Quay has filed petitions from the Philadelphia board of trade against the eight-hour bill and anti-conspiracy bill and they were referred to the committee on education and labor.

Free Delivery for Tarentum.

The postoffice department has notified Representative Graham that the free delivery system will be installed in Tarentum in the beginning of next March and that three carriers will be appointed.

Will Attend Mrs. Grant's Funeral.

Dr. D. M. Anderson of Washington county, a member of the Pennsylvania legislature, and U. G. Smith of Washington, Pa., are here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Grant. L. W. STRAYER.

POLICEMAN WELCH WAS DISCHARGED

Arrested for Fighting on Frankstown Avenue, He Refused to Appear Before Police Board.

Officer Michael Welch, who patrolled Frankstown avenue, East End, was yesterday discharged from the service for disorderly conduct. Welch and Officer Charles Johnston were arrested Sunday morning for engaging in a fist fight in front of No. 6 police station. Welch fought desperately with the arresting officers before being put in a cell.

The men had been enemies for several weeks, and the fight was caused by Johnston reporting to Inspector Robert Gray that Welch had insulted him. Both were released after being detained for a short time and were instructed to appear for a hearing before Magistrate Armstrong. Welch did not appear and forfeited $30.

Yesterday Welch failed to report to the police board, after being summoned, and was discharged from the service.

ALLEGHENY HORSE THIEF

Man Picked Up in Third Avenue Said to Be Wanted for Several Offenses.

A young man who says he is H. C. Roone, a farmer of Engleside, Westmoreland county, but is said by the detectives to be William Hooper, an alleged horse thief, was arrested by Detectives Barry and Milholland, in Third avenue yesterday and locked in Central police station.

Three months ago William Hooper was charged with stealing a horse and buggy from John Thubron of Montgomery avenue, Allegheny, but before the case came to trial he was released on his own recognizance, and did not appear for trial.

Recently it was reported to the police that Hooper had stolen another horse and buggy, and they were looking for him. He was turned over to the Allegheny police department last evening.

THIEF GIVES HIS NAME.

Fellow Captured in Tarentum, Monday, Says He Is Robert Speakman.

The man who robbed the cash drawer in Robinson & Montgomery's store at Tarentum, Monday afternoon, gave his name as Robert Speakman, but refused to give any other information about himself. He had in his pockets the business cards of an incandescent light company of Roberts street, Pittsburgh.

He was taken to jail to await trial, in default of $500 bail, by Constable J. J. Finney.

SOLD AMUSEMENT RIGHTS.

Ingersoll Construction Company Gets a Big Price for Kennywood Park Features.

The merry-go-round, old mill and toboggan slide, which have been a great source of amusement to patrons of Kennywood park, have been sold to an eastern concern by the Ingersoll Construction Company of Pittsburgh. The price paid for all the rights of the selling company was between $65,000 and $70,000. It is said that the new owners intend making extensive improvements at Kennywood park this season.

E. E. Gregg, former superintendent of the parks for the Pittsburgh Railways Company, has accepted the position of secretary with the Ingersoll concern.

Robbed a Policeman's House.

The house of Police Officer C. A. Grimes at 608 Forbes street was entered by a sneak thief at noon yesterday and a gold watch and chain, bracelet and $7 was stolen from a dresser.

Turks Kill Macedonians.

SOFIA, BULGARIA, Dec. 16.—Advices from the frontier say that 24 Macedonian brigands, who were returning to their own country, have been killed by Turkish frontier guards near Dubnitza.

MRS. NELLIE GRANT SARTORIS,

The Only Child of Mrs. U. S. Grant Who Was With Her Mother When the End Came.

OFFICERS TO ATTEND MRS. GRANT'S FUNERAL

Secretary of War Issues Orders to Honor the Widow of Great Soldier.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—While the final arrangements for the obsequies of Mrs. Grant will not be made until after the arrival of Gen. Grant and other members of the family next Thursday, it is settled that there will be short religious services in this city and that the remains will be placed by the side of those of her husband in the tomb at Riverside park, New York.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has offered to provide a combination car for the casket and pallbearers and a private car for the use of the family in the journey from this city to the tomb, to be attached to any train that the funeral party may desire.

The secretary of war has directed that all the army officers stationed in New York and vicinity shall attend the services at the tomb in full dress uniform. It has been arranged that the steamer Meigs shall meet the funeral party at the Jersey City station and convey it to the tomb, where there is a convenient landing place.

Gen. Horace Porter, ambassador to France, is president of the Grant Monument association, which has charge of the Grant tomb at New York, and Secretary Root and Gen. Granville M. Dodge, president of the Army of the Tennessee, are vice presidents. Military honors will be accorded the body of Mrs. Grant in New York. A committee from the army of the Tennessee will attend the funeral service in Washington.

At the Grant residence many messages of condolence have been received. The president's aide, Capt. W. S. Cowles, called to express the sympathy of the president and Mrs. Roosevelt. Among the messages of sympathy were dispatches from Princess Cantacuzene, the mother-in-law of Princess Cantacuzene, the grand-daughter of Gen. and Mrs. Grant, Gen. Horace Porter, Robert T. Lincoln, and Andrew Carnegie, Russell Sage, Gen. H. Kidd Douglass, Mrs. George W. Childs, Mrs. Gresham and Mrs. Pullman.

HORNER NOW GETS ACTIVE

Burgess of Wilkinsburg, Sustained in the Courts, Orders a General Advance on Peddlers.

Burgess James Horner of Wilkinsburg has declared war on peddlers, milk dealers and all others who make a practice of selling from house to house. The license fee is $10 a year. Last night Burgess Horner instructed the chief of police of the borough to have his officers enforce the ordinance to the letter.

This move on the part of the burgess is the result of the opinion handed down yesterday by Judges Stowe and Collier. The decision was rendered in the cases of W. H. Clark and W. S. Watt, milk dealers of the borough who, after being fined for violating the ordinance, appealed their case. Horner was considerably elated over being sustained by the judges, but said he was not surprised, as he had consulted a lawyer before acting.

Mrs. W. A. Clark, Jr., Ill.

BUTTE, MONT., Dec. 15.—Mrs. W. A. Clark, Jr., daughter-in-law of Senator Clark, is very ill and a specialist has been summoned from Denver. A boy arrived at the Clark home two weeks ago who, if he lives, will be the heir to the Clark millions.

Steamer and Crew Lost.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—Sixteen men, officers and crew, of the British coal steamer Marlay are believed to have been drowned as a result of the foundering of their vessel. The Marlay left Liverpool for Dublin, loaded with coal, yesterday evening.

Dyspepsia? Don't lay it to your wife's cooking. It's your liver. Take a good liver pill, a vegetable pill, just one little pill at bedtime—

Ayer's

If it's gone so far that you are pale, weak, nervous, then talk with your doctor about taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla also. He knows. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

PENNYPACKER NAMES PRIVATE SECRETARY

Governor-Elect Chooses an Old Friend, Henry S. Dotterer of Philadelphia.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Ledger Building, PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.

Gov.-Elect Samuel W. Pennypacker today announced the appointment of Henry S. Dotterer of Philadelphia to the position of secretary to the governor during Pennypacker's term. The appointee is an old intimate friend of the judge. He is a man of letters, possesses a well-developed taste for historical research and is an author of note. His most notable production is a monthly publication entitled: "The Perkiomen Region, Past and Present." Col. Dotterer was born in 1841.

Judge Pennypacker would give no intimation as to when he would make public the personnel of his cabinet. The impression prevails that he may not do so until he has been inaugurated. Insurance Commissioner Durham left tonight for Hot Springs, Va., where he will remain for a week. Mr. Durham has a slight touch of rheumatism and believes he will be benefited by the springs. He will see Senator Quay tomorrow in Washington. CHESTER D. POTTER.

Unconscious in Street.

William McKnight of Rebecca street was found in School street, Allegheny, last night by Officer Charles Butz. The officer thought that McKnight was intoxicated, but when he was put into the patrol wagon McKnight was found to be unconscious from a contusion on the back of the head, which had been produced by a fall or blow. He was taken to the Allegheny hospital and afterwards sent home.

PORT AU PRINCE IS UNDER FIRE

Aspirants to Presidency of Haiti Flee to United States Legation.

SOLDIERS SUPPORT NORD

There Is Much Shooting in the Streets of the Captial, but Foreign Residents Are Said to Be in No Danger.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI, Dec. 16.—Gen. Saint-Foix Colin, minister of the interior, opponent of Gen. Nord in the contest for the presidency, has sought refuge in the United States legation. There has been much firing in the city and a state of great excitement prevails.

All the military authorities who have been supporters of Seneque Pierre's candidacy for the presidency, and therefore opposed to Gen. Nord, also sought refuge in the consulates. Gen. Nord is acclaimed president by the troops and seems master of the situation, notwithstanding the fact that the majority of congress is in favor of Seneque Pierre.

It is believed that Gen. Nord will dissolve the chamber of communes and the senate and will order other elections, which will result in his favor. Firing continued this afternoon in the streets, but the foreign residents are in no danger.

Weedon Grossmith in Pittsburgh.

Weedon Grossmith, who will be the attraction at the Alvin theater during Christmas week, will be supported by the same company of English actors he had during his famous run of "The Night of the Party" at the Princess theater in New York. The sale of seats for the nine performances will begin this morning. Mr. Grossmith and his entire company will go to Montreal from Pittsburgh, and their performance on the opening night will be witnessed by the Dominion governor general and his household.

Men's furnishings.

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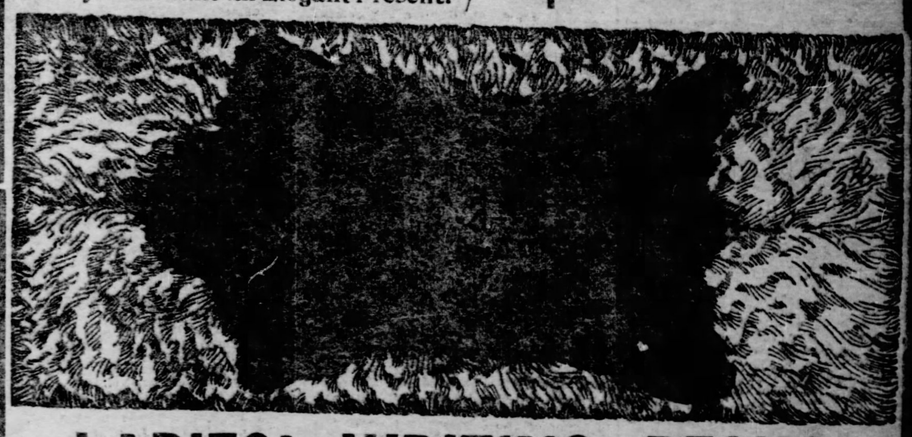

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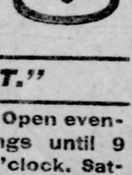
Gents' solid 14-k gold filled Elgin Watches; 20-year guarantee $12

Gents' extra heavy solid 14-k gold Watch with full Jeweled Elgin movement $30

Genuine Diamond Ring; small but very brilliant; set in solid 14k gold, $5.50

Pair Genuine Diamond Ear Drops — Pure white and perfect and dazzling in brilliancy—weight 1 k, for $88.00

Genuine Ruby, Turquoise or Opal surrounded with full cut Diamonds (no chips). $28.00



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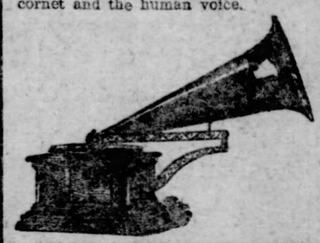

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Spain's famous artist, Madrazo, is now in Pittsburgh, by Wm. G. Kaufmann, in The Sunday Gazette.

RECORDER BROWN CAUSES GLOOM

Serves Notice That Payroll Will Not Be Given Orders in February.

MEANS MUCH TO GANG

Chairman Leslie Says That He Intends to Have a Talk With Mr. Brown—No More Political Assessments.

The announcement by Recorder J. O. Brown that he did not intend to assist the old organization in the city election is not cheering news to M. G. Leslie, chairman of the Republican city committee. He says that he will confer with the recorder today.

This declaration has added to the gloom at Sixth avenue headquarters. The machine knows that if it is to have a chance of winning in February the payroll must be kept in line. In the county contest a majority of the city employes were loyal, but with the recorder encouraging them to do as they please there are few of the place holders who will not try to make peace with the new party in power.

Recorder Brown having been relieved of the city chairmanship Monday night, was inclined yesterday to speak very freely about his political intentions. He was positive in his announcement that no orders would be issued by him to the payroll, nor will he permit others to do so. If the Citizens nominate a Republican for recorder they will be told that they can vote as they deem best for their own interests.

"The last election," said Mr. Brown, "I rounded them up and told them what I wanted. This time, if I round them up, I will tell them to do what in their judgment will best provide for their future. It will be a free and open door, and all complaints against them for 'not going along' will be pigeonholed. Neither will I permit city employes to be assessed for campaign purposes. I'm out of politics now, and my time will be devoted strictly to my duties as recorder. Allegheny will be a Quay county in the future. There is not the slightest doubt about it."

Recorder Brown is of the opinion that the old organization would make ex-Mayor W. J. Diehl its candidate for recorder.

Chairman Leslie was found on the second floor of the Sixth avenue headquarters. The apartment used to be termed the "throne room." The new chairman says that name has been discarded and that in the future there will be an open door for all. Mr. Leslie had not seen the statement of Recorder Brown. He read it carefully and said:

"I have not had an opportunity to confer with Mr. Brown. Perhaps he has not been correctly quoted. I will reserve my comments until I have seen him. I expect to confer with him tomorrow. I think I thoroughly understand Mr. Brown."

Chairman Leslie says that states are things of the past at the headquarters that used to boast of a "throne room." The primaries are to be open to all. He promises that there will be a contest for the recordership nomination, and the organization will not attempt to elect delegates to a city convention favorable to any particular man.

GOVERNOR AT BELLEFONTE.

Chief Executive and Legislators Visit State College.

BELLEFONTE, PA., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Governor's Day was inaugurated here today with elaborate exercises. Gov. Stone was accompanied by eight state senators and 43 members of the house. The cadet battalion met the visitors and escorted them to the chapel, where they were received by the faculty, and under competent escort shown through every department of State college.

After luncheon at University Inn the party reviewed the cadets in competitive drill. The prize sword was won by Tuholski of Company B. Following the drill a meeting was held in the armory at which Gen. James A. Beaver presided. Brief addresses were made by Gov. Stone, Maj. Gen. Miller, the Hon. H. F. Walton and Senators Herbst, Williams, Patton and Heidelburg. The entire party was greatly pleased with the college and its work, and all pledged heartier support in the future.

BIG FORTUNE IS VOTED TO BUY COAL FOR POOR

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—The board of aldermen today voted $250,000 to buy coal for the poor of the city. The resolution passed last week voting $100,000 for this purpose was recalled.

LIVED ONE DAY AFTER MARRIAGE

DETROIT, Dec. 16.—Married at 8 o'clock last night, Hugh A. McKenzie, a Scotchman 32 years old, is today a corpse. He was killed in the elevator shaft of the new Stevens building just before noon today.

Tobin Convicted of Murder.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Thomas Tobin today was convicted of the murder of Capt. James B. Craft of Glen Cove, L. I., whose decapitated body was found about two months ago in the Empire music hall. The defense sought to prove insanity, but numerous experts testified that the prisoner was sane.

Post Annual Dinner.

Albert J. Barr, president of the Post Publishing Company, gave his annual dinner last evening to all the employes of the paper, at the Pittsburgh club. Nearly 200 covers were laid. The affair was purely informal. It was the tender by the host of the best wishes of the Christmas season and the response on the part of the guests was in the same chord.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were granted yesterday:

Milford H. Davis	Brackenridge
Bessie E. McMaster	Brackenridge
John T. Waugh	Ingram
Mary I. Stevenson	Pittsburgh
George Broder	Allegheny
Amelia Schweitzer	Allegheny
Thomas Kenny	Pittsburgh
Lydia E. McCurdy	Allegheny
David Phillips	Allegheny
Belle M. Rodgerson	Allegheny
Candido Brema	Federal
Rovi E. Alpenaira	Federal
Frederick W. Brinker	Pittsburgh
Margaret W. Bauer	Allegheny County
John W. Reese	Cannonsburg
Elizabeth [illegible]	Cannonsburg
Anton Bukovac	Braddock
Dora Gorlik	Braddock
Cassius A. Stewart	Lasellville, N. Y.
Irene Sheets	Parkers Landing, Pa.
Ernest N. Bradshaw	Pittsburgh
Magdo Spitzar	Crescent County, W. Va.
Smiley Magee	Dravosburg
Sarah M. Simpson	Dravosburg
Charles M. Trimbler	New York
Julia E. McGlewain	Pittsburgh
Frank Goldstrom	Pittsburgh
Jane McK. Alexander	Pittsburgh
John E. Courhenour	Belle Vernon
Morris S. Ramsey	Birmingham, Ala.
Laura L. Johnston	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived Dec. 16.

New York—Nomadic, from Liverpool; Vaderland, from Antwerp.
Glasgow—Corean, from Boston.
Liverpool—Menaba, from New York.
Sydney—Mowera, from Vancouver.
Auckland—Ventura, from San Francisco.

Sailed Dec. 16.

New York—Bovic, for Liverpool.

SOCIETY

THE WEDDING of Miss Mary Crossan Hays and Francis Sellers Guthrie last evening in the Shadyside Presbyterian church was the leading social event of the day. The wedding was handsomely conducted and attending the bride were several of the prominent young society women of Pittsburgh. The marriage ceremony was solemnized at 8 o'clock and the pastor, the Rev. Richard S. Holmes, D. D., was the officiating clergyman. The Shadyside church was richly decorated. The pulpit platform was banked with towering palms and low growing ferns, while poinsetta added warmth and color. Holly and southern smilax hung in garlands about the walls of the edifice, which is regarded as one of the finest examples of Pittsburgh church architecture.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, William H. Hays, who gave her away. She was attended by Mrs. Eugene L. Messler, who was matron of honor, and by her sister, Miss Carolyn Irwin Hays, the maid of honor, and by four bridesmaids, Miss Willa Forsyth, Miss Virginia Bughman, Miss Marion Sellers Guthrie, a sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Pauline Griffiss of Chattanooga, Tenn. John Brandon Guthrie was the best man and the ushers were Carroll P. Davis, Starling Winston Childs, Walter McClintock, Robert Walker Flenniken, J. Judson Brooks, Jr., and the bride's brother, William H. Hays, Jr.

The bride, who is popular in the younger dancing set in Shadyside and the East End, wore a wedding gown of white crepe meteor. It had a full court train and was trimmed with point lace. Her veil swept in graceful folds to the edge of the train and was caught to the hair with a jewelled pin and orange blossoms. She carried a large shower bouquet of lilies of the valley, white roses and maiden hair ferns. It was a green-and-white wedding and the maids all wore dainty gowns of white dotted mousseline de soie over white silk and carried bouquets composed of stevia and white carnations. The matron of honor also wore white silk and mousseline de soie and carried stevia and carnations.

After the ceremony at the church a reception was given the bride and the bridegroom at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hays in Westminster street, within sight of the church. Decorations in red and green prevailed throughout the house. In the drawing room Mr. and Mrs. Hays, the bride and the bridegroom and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker Guthrie, parents of the bridegroom, received standing before a tall screen of palms. Christmas bells and wreaths of holly with scarlet ribbons gave brilliancy to the decorations, which continued in the same festive holiday colors throughout the house save where the bride's table stood. Supper was served the bridal party upstairs and the bride's table was decorated in white bride's roses and maiden hair ferns, while dainty shades on the lights further carried out the simple but beautiful scheme of green and white. After a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie will make their home in the East End. Among the out-of-town guests who came on for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Donaldson of Philadelphia, the latter an aunt of the bride, and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Reed of the Quaker City. Mr. Guthrie is sergeant of Company K, Eighteenth regiment, National Guards of Pennsylvania, and served in the anthracite regions during the coal strike this fall.

Daniels-Reed.

The wedding of Miss Gwendoline Daniels, daughter of William Daniels, to Henry M. Reed, took place last evening at the home of the bride in Sterling street, Allegheny, at 8:30 o'clock. It was a quiet home wedding with pretty appointments. The guests included only the two families and their immediate connection. The Rev. Rodman Davis of Allegheny performed the marriage ceremony. A matron of honor, Mrs. William Boyle, attended the bride, and there were two bridesmaids, Miss Nettie Jones and Miss Minnie Daniels. H. B. Morrow was the best man and the ushers were Robert Oliver and John Reed, Jr. Miss Elizabeth Daniels, a young sister of the bride, was a flower girl.

The bride wore a wedding gown of white mousseline de soie, over white silk. She wore no wedding veil, a graceful aigrette appearing in her hair, and she carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. The matron of honor and the maids were all gowned in white mousseline and carried clusters of pink roses. The house was prettily decorated in white and pink. Mantels were banked with ferns and palms and roses were prettily combined. Mr. and Mrs. Reed will take a short wedding trip and will return to Allegheny where they will be at home after January 1.

Luncheon for Debutantes.

Pretty and gay was the luncheon given yesterday afternoon by Miss Edna McKay in honor of two debutantes, Miss Rachel McMasters Miller and Miss Ethel Cassidy. It was conducted at the McKay home, Oak [illegible], Amberson avenue, Shadyside, and the guests included the entire debutante circle and some of the girls who made their debut last winter. The decorations were in red and green, holly, poinsetta and scarlet ribbons, to harmonize, forming the foundation of the decorative scheme which continued throughout the drawing room, the halls, library and dining room. At one large round table the entire debutante group of girls was seated, a number of smaller tables being scattered through the dining room, the hall and the library. Forty of the younger girls were at the luncheon, which was followed by an interesting palm reading by Senor de Ovies.

A Palm Party.

Palm parties were popular yesterday with the debutantes and the young married women. Mrs. George Wilmer Martin gave a palm party for Mrs. J. Stewart Lacock, the bride who was Miss Florence Aull before her marriage, a few weeks ago. Mrs. Martin entertained about 40 of the young matrons and younger girls, among whom were several brides. The decorations were bright and festive in keeping with the Christmas season. During the afternoon Mme. de Ovies read the palms of the guests.

McClung—Bryson.

Miss Nancy Cowan McClung, daughter of the late Murray G. McClung and Annie Agnew McClung, and Dr. Harry Ballou Bryson, one of the most prominent specialists in the city, were married last evening in the Sixth United Presbyterian church, which was crowded with the friends of the bride and bridegroom. The church was decorated with flowers and tropical plants. The large pulpit platform was banked to the organ loft with palms and ferns, and had a central setting of poinsetta.

Promptly at 8 o'clock, to the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march, the bridal party entered the church. First in the procession were the ushers, Joseph Montgomery Bryson, brother of the groom, Dr. John C. Calhoun, Charles D. Gillespie and Murray G. McClung, Jr., a brother of the bride. Next came the four bridesmaids, Miss Mary Chambers McClung, sister of the bride, Miss Elizabeth Packard, Miss Carolyn Woolsair of Beaver, a cousin of the bride. These were followed by the maid of honor, Miss Susan Paul of Oakmont, and Miss Rebecca Crawford, the flower girl. The bride entered on the arm of her brother, Charles Agnew McClung. James Lester Chambers was the best man.

The bride's dress was of white lace, trimmed with Irish point over chiffon, with court train. Her veil was caught with a half wreath of orange blossoms, and she carried white hyacinths and white roses.

The maid of honor wore mousseline de soie over liberty silk, and carried a large shower bouquet of American Beauty roses. The bridesmaids were gowned in English chiffon over white silk, and carried red carnations and green spindle eye. They wore white ostrich tips in their hair. The flower girl wore white mull. On her arm was a basket of rose petals, which she strewed in the path of the bride.

Following the ceremony a reception for the bridal party only was held at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. John Porter Hunter, in Highland avenue. This was followed by a wedding dinner.

Dr. and Mrs. Bryson left at midnight for the west. Their tour will extend to the City of Mexico, and they will be gone about six weeks. After February 1 they will be at home to their friends at their new home in North St. Clair street, East End.

Sheats-Stewart.

A wedding of social interest in Hazelwood last evening was that of Miss Irene Sheats, daughter of Robert M. Sheats, superintendent of terminals, Baltimore & Ohio railroad, and Cassius Adelbert Stewart, a prominent young man of Hazelwood. It took place at the Sheats residence in Hazelwood avenue at 8 o'clock, the Rev. C. V. Wilson, D. D., officiating. The bridal party consisted of Miss America Sheats, maid of honor, and Mrs. John H. Kriebel of Chicago, as matron of honor, both sisters of the bride. The bride was given away by her father. Sheldon Masson Stewart of New York city, a brother of the groom, acted as best man. The bride was gowned in a white crepe de Paris, with trimmings of pointe lace. After the ceremony the bridal table was laid for 50 guests, consisting of the immediate relatives and friends of the young couple. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, after a western wedding trip, will return and live at 4724 Kansas street, Hazelwood, where they will be at home to their friends after February 1, 1903. Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. C. A. Young and Mrs. John H. Kriebel of Chicago; Miss Minnie Richardson, of Oil City, Pa.; Miss Lucille Hicks, of Wheeling, W. Va., and Mr. S. A. Stewart of New York city.

Knox-Knox.

Miss Margaret Buffington Knox of Greensburg and William James Knox of McKeesport were quietly married last evening at 6 o'clock at the home of the bride. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. J. Knox, D. D., her brother. Only the members of the two families were represented at the wedding. After a trip through the west Mr. and Mrs. Knox will make their home in Versailles, Pa., where Mr. Knox is assistant superintendent of the galvanizing department of the National Tube Works. Though their name is the same, the families of the bride and the bridegroom are not connected. The bridegroom is the son of Dr. William F. Knox of McKeesport and is a nephew of Attorney General P. C. Knox.

A Late December Wedding.

It is announced that the wedding of Miss Laura M. Lyons, daughter of ex-Mayor Robert Lyons, to Dr. William M. Campbell will take place December 23 at the residence of James Messick, Amelia street, McKees Rocks. The bride is well known in local society, while the groom is a practicing physician in McKees Rocks. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. R. M. Campbell, father of the groom, who is pastor of the Presbyterian church at Tyrone. The wedding will be a quiet affair and will be witnessed by only the relatives and intimate friends of the couple.

Art Exhibition and Sale.

An exhibition of the work done in the art classes of the Allegheny Preparatory school will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. A sale of baskets, pictures, frames and other Christmas novelties, with candy, will be conducted at the same time, the proceeds of the sale to be used in the equipment of the studio. The girls of the tenth grade will act as the reception committee, and will serve light refreshments.

Luncheon in Quaker Valley.

Mrs. Alexander Laughlin will be hostess at a pretty little luncheon at her home in Quaker valley this afternoon, in honor of Miss Anna Caulfield of Grand Rapids, Mich., who will deliver a stereopticon lecture on "Paris" at the Woman's club meeting today.

Cards and Dancing.

The Tuesday Night Euchre club of Crafton was entertained last evening by the Misses Reynolds at their home in Crafton terrace. Progressive euchre was played until 11 o'clock, and after a lunch had been served dancing was enjoyed until 2 a. m.

A Superintendent Will Wed.

The marriage of J. J. McIntosh, formerly of Glasgow, O., now superintendent of schools in Mt. Clemens, Mich., and Miss Cora Louise McClelland, will take place next Tuesday evening at the bride's home in Wooster.

Mrs. Porter Entertains.

About 25 members of the Edgeworth Whist club were entertained by Mrs. John E. Porter at her home in Beaver street, Sewickley, yesterday afternoon.

Meetings of the Clubs.

The Tuesday Musical club held its regular meeting yesterday afternoon at the Maples, Mrs. Maple's home, and a very enjoyable musical program was presented by the members.

The Women's club yesterday met at the Central Young Women's Christian association and discussed education, art and philanthropy.

The Colonial club held its fortnightly meeting yesterday at the Henry, taking up a literary subject for study and discussion.

The meeting of the Lawrenceville New Century club was held in the parlors of the Butler Street Methodist church, and the regular meeting of the Woman's club of Wilkinsburg occurred in Hamnett hall, Penn avenue.

Social Events of a Day.

The Misses Black gave an at home yesterday at their residence in Harper street.

Mrs. John Eaton and Mrs. Louis Brown entertained last evening at cards, the entertainment being the first of a series of two which they are giving. They will entertain again this evening.

Pride of Troy Hill council No. 61, Daughters of Liberty, will have a house warming Friday evening when they take possession of their new quarters in Masonic hall, Madison avenue and Washington street, Allegheny. Seven candidates will be initiated.

LOST THREE FINGERS; GAINED EXPERIENCE

Michael Hodwitz, a Slav, has discovered that wet dynamite will explode. He has not found three fingers and a stove that disappeared at the time of the explosion. Hodwitz lives in Baltimore street, Rankin. Yesterday several friends called upon him and presented him with a stick of dynamite. Hodwitz threw it into the stove, saying it was wet and would not burn. Dr. W. E. Facette was kept busy for an hour dressing the man's injuries. Hodwitz will live to be a wiser man.

TWO LITTLE PATIENTS CURED BY DR. LORENZ

One of Suffers Victims of Dislocation of Both Hips.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.

Two little sufferers were made happy today and placed on the road to recovery by the surgical art of Prof. Lorenz, the Vienna surgeon. Both were sufferers from congenital hip dislocation. After the operation, which occurred in the Polyclinic Medical college, Dr. Lorenz expressed himself as satisfied that both would completely recover.

One of the children was suffering from bilateral dislocation, or dislocation of both hips. It was the first case of this kind that has been presented to Dr. Lorenz in this city. The dislocation of the left hip was reduced in four minutes and the dislocation of the right hip in eight minutes.

After this operation Dr. Lorenz held an informal reception in the operating room, where he met a number of prominent surgeons.

Italian's Injuries Prove Fatal.

Harry Cervi, 32 years old, an Italian, died shortly before midnight at the McKeesport hospital from a fractured skull and broken leg. He was injured on November 1 in a runaway accident near his home at Guffey station.

FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER DESSERT,

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JELL-O SNOW PUDDING.

Dissolve one package of any flavor Jell-O in one pint of boiling water, and after it has about half hardened beat up thoroughly with an egg beater; add the white of one egg thoroughly beaten and stir the whole together until they are mixed; pour into cups and set in a cool place until firm. This may be served with whipped cream or custard.

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QUESTIONS ITS VALUE.

Attorney Edward Whitney Declares Carnegie Steel Company's Assets Are Placed Too High.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—The argument of Edward B. Whitney, attorney for J. Aspinwall Hodge, before the New Jersey court of errors and appeals to restrain the execution of the United States Steel Corporation's $250,000,000 stock conversion plan, was made public today.

Mr. Whitney contends that the directors of the incorporation have had plenty of time after the granting of an injunction by Vice Chancellor Emery to call a new meeting of stockholders early in December to ratify the conversion plan, but he submits that the reason this course was not pursued was that the proxies of the stockholders could not have been obtained a second time. The argument contains an attack on the valuation of $492,566,100 put on the Carnegie Company's property by the United States Steel Corporation, which sum, according to Mr. Whitney, is $344,000,000 in excess of the real value of the property.

INSANE MAN'S CRIME.

Cuts Throat of Boarder, Wounds Mother and Sister, Then Kills Himself.

LAPEER, MICH., Dec. 16.—John Best, aged 28, single, a man of disordered mind, during last night arose from his bed and ran amuck through the house, cutting Jasper Clegg's head nearly off with a razor, dangerously wounded his own mother, wounded his sister and finished by shooting himself to death.

Clegg, who was 60 years of age, boarded at the Best home. Best was committed to the insane asylum about a year ago, but six months later was discharged as cured.

ERIE TRAIN DITCHED.

Man Walking on Track Cut in Two Just Before Wreck—Engineer Goss Killed.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 16.—A fast passenger train from New York on the Erie road went into the ditch at Newburg shortly after noon today. The engineer, W. C. Ross, was so badly injured that he died in the hospital this afternoon. Fireman H. H. Landon, was badly cut and bruised. None of the passengers was injured.

The accident occurred at the crossing of the Erie and Cleveland & Pittsburgh tracks. Owing to the prevailing fog the engineer was unable to stop his engine at the crossing. The engine struck a derailing switch and went into the ditch, followed by the baggage and mail cars.

A man named Nolan, walking on the Erie tracks, was struck and cut in two by the wrecked train an instant before it was derailed.

Going to Japan.

Miss Rebecca Knox, the daughter of Attorney General P. C. Knox, who contemplates going to Japan soon after the holidays, will accompany her uncle and Mr. and Mrs. Knox, of California, Pa., and not Dr. and Mrs. Knox of McKeesport, as has been erroneously stated.

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Sable Fox Boa, $12—Flat Muff to match, $15—the set, $25.
Sable Fox Double Boa, $17.75—Flat Muff to match, $15—the set, $30.
Blue Lynx Cluster Scarf, eight full tails, $14—Muff to match, $16.50.
Genuine Chinchilla Muffs—extra size—$17.50—only 50 of them.

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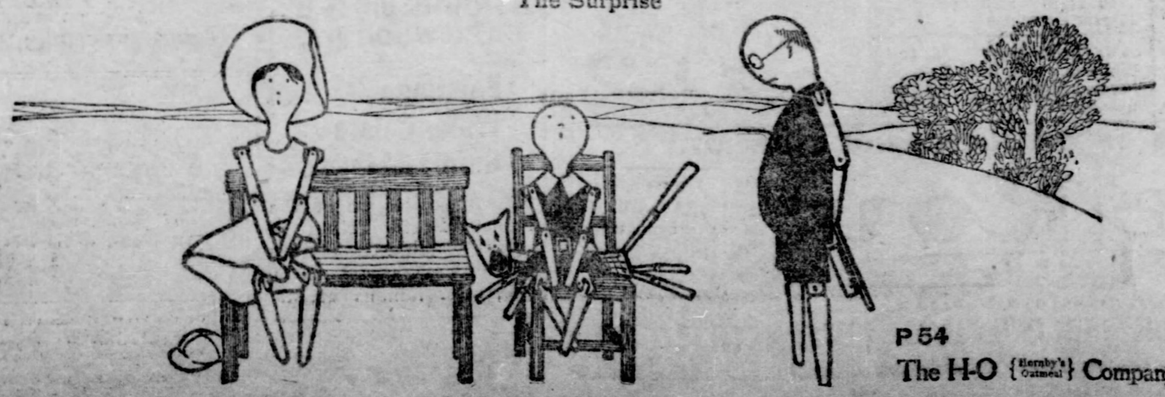

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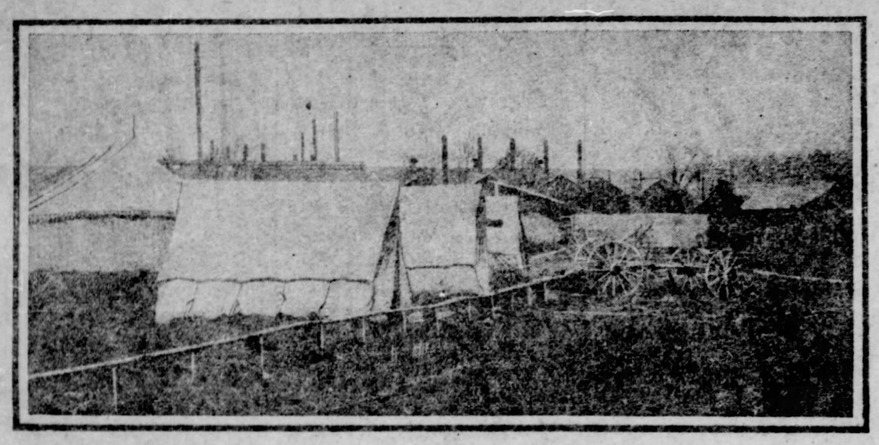

Homes of Workmen Where Business Booms.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Youngstown's industrial growth is emphasized in more ways than one. Today may be seen many tents around the new plants which are being erected between this city and Struthers, and especially at East Youngstown. Men employed on the construction of the plants live in them. This is because there are no houses to be had in that vicinity. Last year, when the plant of the Youngstown Iron Sheet and Tube Company was in the course of construction, dozens of tents dotted the place. Men lived there during the entire winter and some are living there yet. It is estimated that more than a thousand houses have been built in Youngstown and its immediate vicinity within the past year, but still there are not enough to go around.

ATTORNEY W. S. BYERS LOSES POINT IN SUIT

Greensburg Court Orders Him to Pay Balance Due His Uncle.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 16.—The second hearing in the local courts in the alleged larceny cases of Byers versus Byers has resulted in favor of Jacob, the aged plaintiff. Arguments were heard this morning by Judge L. W. Doty on the rule granted on Attorney W. S. Byers to account for $11,053 which his grand uncle, the prosecutor, alleges remains in the Greensburgh attorney's hands and unaccounted for.

By the answer filed, W. S. Byers claimed credit on the total amount of $7,000. This, he claims, he invested in a farm in Cecil county, Maryland, for Jacob Byers, and he admitted a balance in his favor of $3,200. It is alleged by the plaintiff and his attorneys that they have not been able to get possession of the deed for the purchase of the farm, and the recovery of that amount is still at issue to be determined in the courts.

The total amount came into the hands of the Greensburg attorney through a collection made on a judgment note held by Jacob Byers against the Hon. W. R. Barnhart and is alleged to have been made in 1900. When W. S. Byers admitted in court this morning that he held the balance claimed, Judge Doty ordered him to return it before sundown. The amount was immediately paid. The remaining $7,000 remains an issue to be decided by the courts.

JOSEPH ROCHE RELEASED.

George Killen and Wife Are Held for Murder of Louis Ernette.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—By order of the court, Joseph Roche, who was a prisoner in the county jail as a suspect in the murder of Louis Ernette at the plant of the Capelle fan works, North Jeannette, on November 26, but who was not held for the crime by the coroner's jury, was this forenoon released.

The petitions to secure the release of George Killen, the self-confessed murderer, his wife, nee Minnie Roche, and Thomas Roche have been withdrawn, and the habeas corpus proceedings that were scheduled for today were not held. Killen, his wife and Thomas Roche have been held as the result of the coroner's inquest for murder, Killen and his wife for having been directly responsible for the crime and Thomas Roche as an accessory.

MISSION FOR EAST END.

Alliance of Reformed Church of Allegheny County to Work in New Field.

Acting on the report of a committee appointed some weeks ago to look over various fields, the Missionary Alliance of the Reformed church of Allegheny county at a meeting held in the Trinity Reformed church of Wilkinsburg last night, decided to establish a new mission in the Lincoln avenue district, East End.

A site will be secured at once and a mission building erected on it. The committee appointed for this work is composed of Dr. John H. Prugh, A. K. Kline, Braddock; C. H. Althouse, McKeesport, and H. F. Texter, Wilkinsburg.

Since the establishment of the Missionary Alliance, four years ago, five missions in Allegheny county have been established and all are free from debt. It is the aim of the alliance to establish a new mission each year. The last mission established was dedicated at Homeville last Sunday.

SANTA CLAUS SCHWAB.

Disposition of His Christmas Gift to Homestead's Deserving Poor Has Been Decided Upon.

Homestead ministers conferred last night with A. V. Dinkey, J. H. Slocum and J. M. Molanthy as to the disposition of the $2,000 Charles Schwab donated to buy gifts for the deserving poor of Homestead. Mr. Dinkey was elected chairman and Mr. Slocum secretary and treasurer.

It was decided to get the names of all the deserving poor in Homestead, the ones whom Mr. Schwab would most like to present his gifts to, and send them Christmas baskets. The Salvation Army will also be aided, as they are to give a dinner on Christmas to the poor. Sunday schools will also be helped, and children who do not go to Sunday school will receive gifts.

BIG BOY WAS RIDICULED.

Decamped to Pittsburgh Because He Was Sensitive.

Warren Royer, 17 years old, six feet tall, and very thin, ran away from his home in Columbus because other boys of his age laughed at the idea of such a big boy going to school with them. Warren's father suspected that the boy was bound for Pittsburgh, and yesterday he came here and asked Supt. of Police John McAleese to help him find his truant son.

The father and a policeman started out and in 10 minutes they met Warren, sauntering along Smithfield street. The boy refused to return home, and Supt. McAleese gave him his choice of going back to Columbus with his father or going to the Allegheny county workhouse. The boy had five minutes in which to decide, and chose to go home.

Fireman Fined for Being Disorderly.

William Allen, a negro, employed as a fireman in the Pittsburgh bureau of fire, acted so disorderly on a street car that after Magistrate Bernard McKenna had heard the evidence he promptly imposed a fine of $5 and costs. Allen was in his fireman's uniform when he misbehaved.

BISHOP TALBOT WINS IN CONSPIRACY TRIAL

HUNTINGDON, PA., Dec. 16.—The case of Dr. I. N. W. Irvine, the deposed rector of St. John's Episcopal church here, against Bishop Talbot and Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Elliott of Huntingdon for $25,000 damages ended today, when, on motion of the attorneys for the defense, the court instructed the jury to render a verdict for the defendants.

Counsel for both sides made elaborate arguments, but the charge of Judge Bailey was imperative to the jury, and they rendered a verdict as instructed. Dr. Irvine and his counsel say they will appeal to the supreme court.

BOY ATTEMPTS SUICIDE IN WASHINGTON JAIL

Opened an Artery in His Leg With a Dull Case Knife.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 16.—Warren Billingsley, aged 18, the youngest prisoner in the Washington county jail, attempted suicide in his cell last night and is in a serious condition. Young Billingsley has recently been receiving presents of food from his friends. The jail authorities closely inspected the food but in some manner a dull case knife was sent to the prisoner.

He was found in the cell by Deputy Sheriff Howe lying on the floor faint from loss of blood as a result of cutting into one leg. The boy had taken the knife and severed an artery in his leg.

Billingsley was sent from California a short time ago for forging his father's name to several checks made payable at the First National bank of California. He was indicted by the grand jury and will be tried at the next term of criminal court. Billingsley is a member of one of the oldest and most prominent families in Washington county.

MANY PEOPLE MISSING.

Police Asked to Assist in Locating Several Who Have Mysteriously Disappeared.

Several disappearances were reported to the police by anxious relatives yesterday, and aid requested in the matter of locating the missing ones. Robert Brandon, a negro, living at No. 1423 Tomahawk street, said that his 10-year-old daughter Mabel went to the exposition last September, and the family has not seen her since.

On the morning of December 13 Edward McCallister, aged 35 years, left his home in Charles street, Allegheny, to go to work. He has not been seen since, and his wife is alarmed.

Charles J. Barr, formerly of Pittsburgh, once a soldier in the Philippines, is also missing. After his discharge Barr spent a few weeks with friends in Oakland, Cal., and disappeared from there, so writes J. A. Jenks of No. 1680 Twenty-first street, Oakland. Jenks writes that Barr has an aunt, a school teacher, in Pittsburgh.

R. C. Hubbard of Albany, N. Y., writes that his brother, George, worked at New Kensington, Pa., up to May 2, but has not been heard of since. The police have been also asked to help find Hiram O'Dell, 20 years old, whose mother is Henrietta O'Dell of No. 485 South Market street, Canton, O. Mary Lingersue of No. 206 South Soho street, employed in a laundry, went out on Thanksgiving Day and has not been seen by her friends.

SCHWAB'S RETURN.

Steel Corporation President Will Not Be Back Much Before Easter.

Mrs. E. F. Zimmerman of Braddock yesterday received a letter from Mrs. H. E. Kinsey, mother of Mrs. Charles M. Schwab, who is at present touring Europe with Mr. and Mrs. Schwab, in which Mrs. Kinsey states that the party will not return to this country until shortly before Easter.

The letter stated that all in the party were well and most of the time was spent on board the yacht Margaretta, which Mr. Schwab chartered for the trip.

Classifications Being Considered.

President T. J. Shaffer of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, John Gibson, vice president of the Pittsburgh district, and the executive committee, yesterday went to Waynesburg to consider the new classification for the Waynesburg mill. After their return President Shaffer will visit the western mills.

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ROOM WAS FILLED WITH STOLEN GOODS

Officers Discover Merchandise Taken from Cars at Niles, Ohio.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NILES, O., Dec. 16.—Chief of Police Rounds, Officer Bruder and Detective Camble, this afternoon recovered over $500 worth of goods which had been stolen from cars in the Pennsylvania railroad yards at this place. The officers went to the home of Frank Rose, an Italian, on Mechanic street, who has under suspicion for some time and found one room full of merchandise.

It took three two-horse trucks to haul the goods to the mayor's office, which now looks like a department store. Miss Rose and a boarder were arrested and an officer was stationed at the house to await the arrival of Rose, who is employed on the Pennsylvania railroad work train. The officers feel sure they will get him.

Municipal Code Upheld.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 16.—The supreme court today held the new municipal code constitutional on all the points raised against it in the case of Zumstein vs. Mullen, but rejected the construction put upon section 116 by the Cincinnati board of legislation. The court's decision gives Cincinnati 29 instead of 32 councilmen, and 24 instead of 26 wards.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

WARREN, O.—Daniel Andrews, a prominent Niles pioneer, fell on the street and died in a few minutes of heart disease.

CHARLEROI, PA.—At a special meeting of council two new policemen, Frank McIlwaine and C. W. Albright, were elected.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O.—The name of the Mercer postoffice, West Virginia, across the river, will be changed January 10 to Crater, the name of the town.

MT. PLEASANT, PA.—Paul Foresta, an Italian miner, dropped dead while at work. He was 42 years of age and is survived by his widow and four children.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Carl Kaleesky has been appointed to the local freight agency of the Lake Shore road here, succeeding Capt. Calvin Pierce, who resigned on account of ill health.

CHARLESTON, W. VA.—The jury in the Frank Brazie case on trial here for the murder of John Coleman at Fayetteville about a year ago, returned a verdict of guilty of voluntary manslaughter.

WOOSTER, O.—C. J. Williams of Gustavus, Trumbull county, O., was appointed state agriculturist by the board of control of the Ohio agricultural experiment station to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Prof. J. F. Hickman.

CHARLEROI, PA.—Mary, the 14-year-old daughter of John Prochance of Rostraver, was instantly killed by a southbound passenger train. The girl was employed as a wrapper in the packing department of the Macbeth-Evans glass factory.

GOMPERS TAKES WITNESS STAND

Testifies as Labor Expert Before Strike Arbitration Commission.

CHARGES IMPORTATION

Offers to Give Name of Man Who Will Prove That Miners Have Been Brought from Europe Under Contract.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

SCRANTON, PA., Dec. 16.—Notwithstanding the fact that the mine workers announced yesterday that they had closed their case with the exception of calling one more witness, the entire two sessions of the strike commission today were consumed in hearing three witnesses for the men. They were John C. Haddock, an individual operator; the Rev. Dr. Peter Roberts, who is assisting the miners, and President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor. The principal point in Mr. Haddock's testimony was that he favored giving the mine workers concessions under certain conditions. President Gompers testified as an expert on the trade union movement.

The miners made another attempt today to have the commission admit as evidence a large mass of testimony tending to show that the anthracite coal-carrying roads charge extortionate and discriminating freight rates, and that a monopoly exists in the anthracite mining industry which keeps the wages of the men at an unnaturally low level. The commission again decided that the evidence must be limited to the scope of the commission, and that if it did take up the claims made in the evidence proposed to be submitted the justifiableness of the mine workers' demands would still remain.

History of Labor Unions.

Mr. Gompers occupied the witness stand throughout the afternoon session. He began his testimony by giving the history of the American Federation of Labor and followed this with a brief sketch of the progress and influence of organized labor.

The hours of the workmen generally throughout the country, he said, have been materially reduced. Regarding trade agreements Mr. Gompers said they have always been advantageous to both the workmen and the employer.

Chairman Gray, who is taking an especial interest in boycotts, asked Mr. Gompers what he thought of such methods.

The witness said he would boycott any person who is unfair to his workmen, but would not boycott a man who chooses to do business with the person that is boycotted.

The question of the recognition of unions was then taken up, and Mr. Gompers said that employers made a mistake when they refused to recognize organized labor. The employer, he said, has no moral right to refuse to confer with a committee of his employes.

In reply to Bishop Spalding, Mr. Gompers said he would not favor incorporating a union.

Charges of Importing Labor.

Mr. Gompers was then cross examined by James Torrey, counsel of the Delaware & Hudson company. Mr. Torrey asked the witness if he did not believe that members of the United Mine Workers of America should be 21 years of age and able to read and write before they are admitted to a membership in the union.

"Yes, ten years from now and when the companies stop bringing illiterate foreigners to this country. They are brought here by the companies and the labor union must protect them and see that they get their rights," was the reply.

Mr. Torrey asked him if he can prove that coal companies were guilty of such a thing, and the witness replied that he felt certain it was true because he had seen copies of circulars which have been sent around in Southern Europe asking people to come into Pennsylvania, and there was plenty of money to be earned in the mines.

Mr. Torrey asked him if steamship companies were not the authors of those circulars, to which Mr. Gompers replied that he had seen 10, 20 and 30 men huddled together in huts in the anthracite coal fields, and he noted that it was not long after they arrived here that they were given employment in the mines.

He offered to give to the commission the name of a man who could give the facts to the commission. He did not care to make his name public.

Miners Present Chart.

The miners presented a chart showing the fluctuation in the production of coal for 10 years. The production last year, the miners claim, was abnormal, being 10 per cent above the average for the previous 10 years.

HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 16.—Factory Inspector James Campbell today directed Deputy E. W. Bishop to investigate the testimony given before the coal strike commission at Scranton yesterday in regard to little girls working at nights and report promptly.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—President Baer of the Reading railroad made a statement today deprecating the course pursued by the independent operators, who, it is alleged, have forced the price for their coal up to $11 50 a ton, to dealers, equal to $14 to the consumer.

"Unfortunately there seems to be no way to compel them to sell down to the level fixed by the railroads," said Mr. Baer. "If their sense of obligation to the people cannot deter them from asking prohibitive prices, nothing the public or the railroads can do will be of any effect. The railroads can't refuse to transport their coal; the law regulating the business of all public carriers opposes it. The charge that the railroads are selling railroad coal to independents for disposal in the open market is absolutely false. We are doing everything in our power to keep down the price of coal and to get it to market quickly."

Pipe Plants Are Busy.

After transacting a great deal of routine business and fixing next month as the time for holding the annual meeting, but without designating the place, the National Association of Pipe and Machine Manufacturing companies wound up its meeting at the Hotel Henry last evening. Secretary Benjamin P. Ondyke said the plants connected with the organization were all busy, and denied that there would be any change in prices from the basing price rate established some time ago.

A Grateful Letter.

"I want to thank you for what your Catarrh Balm did for me. I was bothered with catarrh, and after the first application my headache disappeared and I could breathe freely through my nostrils for the first time in six months. I continued the use of the balm until I used about one and one-half jars of it, when I was cured, and now I don't know what it is to have headache or cold in the head, as I had all of the time before."—F. O. Heaton, 217 High street, Hamilton, O.

December 10, 1902.

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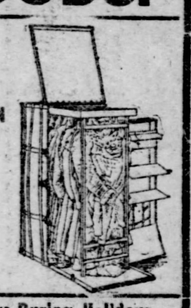

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Couches of all kinds at all prices—Leather, Pantasote, Velour and other upholsterings. Prices begin at $7.00

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18x40 French Plate Mirrors — sell everywhere at $7.50 —our price on these only..... $5

Solid Quartered Oak Combination Bookcases, the $20 kind, at only..... $15

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Jim Dumps was not allowed to eat
Of pies and puddings, rich and sweet.
But served with orange marmalade
A perfect treat from "Force" he made,
Which dish he ate with greatest vim.
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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 626, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a lateral sewer on Dickson street, from Stayton street to Frederick alley, Eleventh ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 31st day of December, A. D. 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

S. A. PURVIS,
D. O. BARR
J. H. DAWSON,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 625, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a main sewer on Wickline's lane, from Spring Garden avenue to Cowley street, Thirteenth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

S. A. PURVIS,
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J. H. DAWSON,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 624, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a lateral sewer on Luray street, from Linwood alley to an unnamed alley Tenth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

S. A. PURVIS,
D. O. BARR
J. H. DAWSON,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 434, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the grading, paving, curbing and damage

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by grade of Bluff street, from Iten street to Gochring's east line, Twelfth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 31st day of December A. D. 1902, at 9:30 o'clock a. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

S. A. PURVIS,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
S. T. M'CLELLAND,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 621, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a lateral sewer on Perrysville avenue (under west sidewalk), from Portman avenue to connect with sewer at Broadway, Fifteenth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 31st day of December, A. D. 1902, at 9:30 o'clock a. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

J. G. REEL,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
S. T. M'CLELLAND,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 618, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a lateral sewer on Ellsworth street, from Winter street to Palo Alto street, Second ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1902, at 9:30 o'clock a. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

J. G. REEL,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
S. T. M'CLELLAND,
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President Dreyfuss Will Stand by His Little Player.

GOSSIP OF THE GAME

President Dreyfuss of the Pittsburgh ball club returned yesterday from New York. Of course he was well pleased with the way things turned out at the National league meeting, even if in the round-up he did lose his secretary, who was much closer to him than a mere employe generally is to an employer.

The first one to greet the president of the local club was little Tommy Leach, who was perched on a chair in club headquarters when Mr. Dreyfuss entered. Tommy has been somewhat exercised about the reports sent out of New York concerning Ban Johnson's attitude towards him, and the threat to go into court to secure his services. Mr. Dreyfuss told his little third baseman that he need have no fear as he would not and could not be classed under the head of a contract jumper.

The club president assured Tommy that he would stand by him to the finish, and the player was satisfied. In support of his position Mr. Dreyfuss has Leach's original contract with the Pittsburgh club, which was entered into last season and which is a binding two-year agreement, and under which the club could have held Leach had he attempted to heed the advice of Johnson and other American league people and jump over to their organization. This contract has been passed upon by the ablest lawyers at the local bar, who pronounce it one that would hold in any court. It was only after hearing the opinion of his own attorney that Leach decided that he must remain with the Pittsburgh club and returned the advance money given him to Vice President Somars of the American league.

Speaking of Leach recalls that at the league meeting in New York last week, John J. (Muggsy) McGraw paid the Pirates' third baseman a very deserved compliment. McGraw, who has had years of experience as a third baseman, and who is considered one of the best judges of ball players in the country, was discussing with Dan Brouthers the players of ten years ago and those of today. During the discussion McGraw asked Brouthers if he had ever seen Leach play, and when Big Dan answered in the negative McGraw said: "Well, you should see him play, for it's a treat. I consider Leach the greatest all-round player that ever stepped on a ball field. He's as fast as a flash of lightning, and makes such stars as Jimmy Collins and others look like mere novices. I only wish I had him on the Giants."

President Dreyfuss returned home and a desk full of mail awaiting his disposal, and about one half of the letters were from ambitious young men who are anxious and willing to take the secretaryship of the Pittsburgh club left vacant by the propotion of Harry Pulliam. These letters were left alone as the Pirates' owner does not intend doing anything in the matter of the secretaryship for some time. Almost the first letter opened was one which bore the handwriting of Harry Pulliam, and sure enough it was from him, and was his first official act as president of the National league. It was a notification that the New York club had sold Outfielder Dobbs, and he was with the Baltimore club last season. This bears out the statement sent to this paper from New York last week that Gilbert is to cover second base for the Giants, and George Smith, the Allegheny boy, will be transferred to Boston.

Regarding the stories which have been printed for the last two days which had President Dreyfuss buying out the Philadelphia National league club, the Pirates' owner said he had not stopped off in Quakertown. That was all he would say though, but he did confess to having had a conversation on the subject with Col. Rogers in New York, and after a little talk on his club. Mr. Dreyfuss says that Col. Rogers' anger over his club being scheduled to play Sunday games is not assumed to smooth over matters, but is real as he is and always has been opposed to Sunday baseball.

On the matter of the peace commission Mr. Dreyfuss did not care to talk other than to say that this was the chance for the American league to show that it was sincere in its cry for an end to the baseball war. It was an interview by Ban Johnson in which he claimed that the American league was out for peace that brought about the negotiations, and Mr. Dreyfuss has no doubt as to the sincerity of the National league on the matter, as that it's up to the American to end the trouble.

WILL ARRIVE TODAY.

Matty Matthews In Fine Shape for His Bout—Rube Ferns Comes Tomorrow.

There is great interest in the coming ten-round contest between Matty Matthews and Jim (Rube) Ferns, which takes place in Allegheny on next Monday night. Matthews and his trainer, Tommy West, and Jack O'Brien, the New York lightweight, will arrive here today and finish his training.

Matthews writes that he just arrived from Savannah, where he knocked out Owen Zeigler. After his contest with Ferns on Monday night he will return to New York, his home, to spend Christmas, and leave for the west, where he has several good engagements on. Tommy West, his sparring partner, meets Joe Choynski in Chicago early in January. Ferns will arrive here tomorrow accompanied by Al Weiner, the Buffalo middleweight, and his manager, Charlie Wilson. Ferns is not only a great boxer, but one of the best all-around athletes in the country. Ferns will do his training at Corcoran's boxing academy.

Henry Brown would like to meet Eddie Zang as a preliminary to the Matthews and Ferns contest.

Eddie Kennedy, who meets Christ Hummler at Cumberland, Md., tomorrow night, put in a hard day's training yesterday at Corcoran's boxing academy. As the men meet at catch weights, the local boxer will not rest up until the day of the contest.

Kennedy, Billy Corcoran and a party of Pittsburghers will leave tonight for Cumberland.

WILL MEET AGAIN.

The Bucknell and Carlisle Teams Schedule a Game.

LEWISBURG, PA., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The Indians and Bucknell are to play in Williamsport again. The announcement was made today that the third annual football game between the Carlisle Indians and the Bucknell university has been scheduled for Athletic park, Williamsport, next fall. The game will be played on either the 3d or 10th of October.

Each team has won a game in the annual contest at Williamsport and the game next fall will be the "rubber." Bucknell and the Indians are also scheduled for a track meet to take place at Carlisle next spring.

Americans Won Both Games.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The California champions lost two games to the All-Americans yesterday. In the first inning of the game a hit, two outs and a passed ball won for the easterners. Though the Oaklanders put up a good game in the afternoon in San Francisco the easterners again downed them. Scores:

Morning game—
All-American .... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1
Oakland ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Base hits—All-American 6, Oakland 6. Batteries—Bernard and Sullivan; Cooper and Lechman.

Afternoon game—
All-American .... 3 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 *—5
Oakland ..... 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0—2
Base hits—All-American 10, Oakland 9. Batteries—Joss and Sullivan; Schmitz and Lechman.

Cowboy in the Lead.

Charles Weston, the cowboy expert, beat Grant Eby, the champion of the world, last night 105 to 99 points at the World's Fair pool room in East Liberty, which makes the total score 205 to 200 in favor of Weston. Score by innings:

Eby—7, 11, 3, 0, 3, 0, 0, 15, 0, 15, 15, 14, 15, 2—99.
Weston—8, 1, 12, 15, 12, 15, 15, 0, 15, 0, 0, 0, 0, 10, 12—105.
Referee—Mr. Gamble. Attendance—1,000.

Will Shoot for Turkeys.

On Christmas day the Eclipse Rod and Gun club of Etna will give a turkey shoot at the West Etna ball park. The management announces that a fine lot of turkeys, chickens, ducks and geese have been secured, and all amateur shooters are invited to attend. The shoot given by the same club on Thanksgiving day was a great success, and the Christmas shoot is expected to surprise any event the club has ever given.

RICHARDSON.
Who Kept Goal for the Bankers.

POSTAL WON'T PLAY IF HE LOSES LOFTUS

President of the Washington Club Is After Ban Johnson and His League.

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 16.—"If the American League should frame up a deal by which Tom Loftus is transferred to New York and an unknown manager is unloaded on my club, it can count me out altogether," said President Fred Postal yesterday. "I'm ready to quit baseball if the game is to be conducted this way. If they want to take Loftus to New York they can take me there, too. I'll turn my club over to the league and take the equivalent of my Washington stock in that of New York."

Mr. Postal's ire had been aroused by the latest baseball "news" from the metropolis, by which had it settled that Loftus should be president of the new club and Griffith playing manager; and that Patsy Donovan, erstwhile of St. Louis, should take charge of Washington in place of Loftus.

"This Donovan as a manager may be all right," said Mr. Postal, "but I want to be shown before he begins to manage my club. I had one year of bother, and I was enough. Last season Loftus and I got together, and things went well. I haven't heard anything from Tom of this deal, and I haven't heard anything from Donovan. I would believe that Ban would treat me this way. If this story is true, however, and my manager is to be taken from me and another man put in without any consultation with me—the most interested party—then there'll be about one minute's hot conversation between myself and the head of the league. I'd throw up my stock before I'd stand for a deal like that. I would like to see the Washington fans and the Washington press, and it won't go with the Washington president."

Other and various things were said by Mr. Postal, but these are sufficient to indicate the temper of his general conversation. He is now looking for Ban and Tom for assurances that the New York story is no more reliable than most of the speculative stuff that comes out of the metropolis.

BOTH READY FOR BATTLE

Jack McClelland Is In Fine Shape and Will Meet a Great Two Hand Fighter.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—No local fight of recent months has aroused the keen interest which is centered in the McClelland-McPadden twenty-round bout to take place Thursday night before the West End club. The scrap is expected to bring out the real fighting qualities of both men and to indicate which of the two is destined to attain the highest honors in the squared circle.

McClelland is looking far better than when he fought Joy and he should put up a fight that will make McPadden hustle. The latter probably will be the choice in the betting, and seems to be the more confident of the two, but close observers of the game are impartial. McPadden had no chance in his last fight with Mike Tuths to show what he can do with his right. Tuths' crouching position and his continual low left leads compelled McPadden to keep his right low to protect his stomach. He says he will turn this right loose on the Pittsburgh lad and expects to do business with it.

McPadden seems to be the better boxer of the two, and McClelland is undoubtedly the harder hitter. The latter is strong on boring in fighting; McPadden is quick on his feet and clever at side-stepping and dipping. McClelland undoubtedly will be the aggressor.

BOTH FOR PITTSBURGH.

North Braddock Bowlers Beaten on Home Alleys.

On the Braddock alleys last night the Pittsburgh bowling team managed to take two out of three games from the North Braddock bowlers. There was quite a crowd out to witness the contest, and the sport proved both exciting and entertaining. The scores:

Pittsburgh—			
Brown	160	135	156
Devore	112	179	103
Stephens	141	186	125
Heimbucher	110	124	146
Mercer	156	145	169
Totals	682	789	757
North Braddock—			
W. Seng	105	135	123
Keefe	136	133	161
McCabe	139	147	138
Harper	187	127	154
A. Seng	143	127	161
Totals	710	671	736

BUILD NEW GYMNASIUM.

Wash-Jeff Alumni Raising Funds for That Purpose.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—A movement is on foot among Washington and Jefferson students to build a large club house at College park for the accommodation of college athletic teams. W. R. Thompson of Pittsburgh is at the head of the movement and already a large sum of money has been subscribed for the erection of the building.

The athletic grounds here are at a great distance from the college gymnasium and no provision for bathing or dressing is made at the grounds for the members of athletic teams. They are compled to go through the town to reach the gymnasium and this is considered too inconvenient and the club house is thought to be a necessity. Plans are being prepared for the building and its erection will be started in the spring.

Bender Will Coprain Nebraska.

LINCOLN, NEB., Dec. 16.—John S. Bender, for two years halfback of the University of Nebraska football team, has been elected captain for the season of 1903.

BASKET BALL NOTES.

The next Junior league game will be between the Nationals and Manchester Juniors at National's hall, this evening.

The Sharpsburg Reserves basketball team will open the series of Junior league games next Saturday in a game with the Riverview A. C. in the Sharpsburg town hall. The Reserves have a strong team this season and are as yet undefeated. For games address J. L. Wagel, Etna, Pa.

The Tigers of Allegheny of the Junior league will meet the National Five at Concordia hall Friday evening. Their next league game is at South Side next Tuesday evening. The boys made a great showing Monday night, allowing sterling only 3 field goals and securing one themselves. They would like to hear from all teams their size. For games address William N. Robeon, 130 Allegheny market, Allegheny, Pa.

BANKERS SCORE HOCKEY VICTORY

Hern's Brilliant Goal Keeping for Keystone Made a Hit.

LITTLE TEAM PLAY

Hern's goal keeping, the greatest exhibition of this department of the game ever given before a Pittsburgh hockey net, was the redeeming feature last night of a contest which was in other respects the slowest of the season. The final score was 2 to 1 in favor of the Bankers, but if it had not been for Hern the score might have been ten times more one-sided than it was. Neither team played in form that can hope to win the championship honors, while the Keystone players played one of the most disjointed and helter-skelter games which has ever been seen under the blue and white colors, noted all last season for the best team work of the league.

Throughout the game whenever there was anything doing in the way of energetic hockey it seemed to be a wild scramble to advance the puck in whatever fashion best suited the man nearest to the rubber, and there was more losing of good chances and stumbling over each other's feet and sticks than generally go to make up three contests.

Team Play Missing.

The absence of anything that could really be called team play was not so much due to headstrong individualism as generally is the case in hard fought uneven contests, but seemed to be attributable to a slowness and lack of skill quite inexplainable in teams numbering such stars of the game as the Keystones and the Bankers.

Over and over again the trick of passing along the forward line was attempted, but in every case either the shot was off-side or the skater for whom it was intended was woefully off-color in his attempt to receive it. There seemed to be no skill whatever in maneuvering a successful succession of passes and none of the three goals scored were of the straight, clean-cut variety. The unsteadiness of the forwards may be attributed to the fact that they have not yet played together enough to become familiar with each other's style of play.

The most palpable fault last night, however, was that the forwards were too eager and skated ahead of the puck, the effect which should have reached the stick getting tangled up in the heels of the scurrying crowd. A little more careful watching of the man with the puck would have helped matters much.

As for Hern, he simply dazzled the spectators with the brilliancy of his stops, and if the Keystone defense had been playing any kind of a game Pittsburgh's possible havoc had such an opportunity for the display of his powers. Over and over again Bish and Gordon left him practically unprotected, and in the second half he took care of at least 20 shots, half of his stops being of the most brilliant order.

Richardson made some good stops in the first half, but he was simply lost sight of last night in the wild enthusiasm over the Keystone man before the net.

At one time in the second half a perfect pandemonium of applause for the Keystone man reigned, while he stopped no less than ten difficult shots in about two minutes of play. No sooner would the goal guard send the puck out than it was jabbed in from short range before he had time to wink his eyes.

The crowd soon realized that Hern was playing in form and only rushed at times by the best of goal keepers, and when three or four shots would rebound out into the rink in bewildering succession it gave itself up to rooting.

Nothing to It but Hern.

The question of the contest soon resolved itself into whether Hern could be overcome or whether he was invincible. Some of his stops were of high lofts most difficult, while once he took the puck round in back of the net and drew a burst of applause by skating circles around the Banker men who were trying to get at the rubber.

The game had its share of rough or rather illegal playing. The offenses were mostly those of holding and tripping, and the blood thirsty efforts to brain an opponent were in the minority. At one point, however, Physicker deliberately swung his stick on the back of Sweetzer's head and the latter returned with a long armed swipe which threatened to scalp the Banker man. This scrap was one of the most open duels at sword play seen this season, and both were promptly benched. Bish was benched for twice delivering his stick in attempts to knock the puck away from his opponent, while Gordon developed a trick of sprawling at full length on the ice whenever he thought the puck was going to get in.

One goal was made in the first half by the Bankers after the successful efforts had been called offside. Stuart passed to Campbell in a scrimmage, and the latter sent it in from short range.

The second half was very onesided, if in favor of the Bankers, but Hern saved the score from being so. Keystone scored her goal two minutes after the opening of the half, Gordon passing the puck to Taylor, who rushed it in. Only a scrimmage for the winning goal was a shot of Fenwick's which slipped past Hern after a blinding fusillate which he had managed to take care of. Lake, the Keystone's new star from Winnipeg, did not arrive in time for the game, but will be in today. Lineup:

Bankers.		Keystone.
Richardson	Goal	Hern
Morphy	Point	Bish
Physicker	Cover point	Gordon
Campbell	Center	Taylor
Stuart	Forward	Hendry
Howard	Left wing	Sweitzer
Fenwick	Right wing	Simpson

Goals—Campbell, Fenwick and Taylor. Referee—Bert Russell.

Duquesnes Win Three Straight.

The Duquesne team defeated the W. J. Sowdens three games on the Duquesne alleys last night. W. J. Sowden led his team, making the highest score and average, and Pillbrook made the highest average on his team. Scores:

W. J. Sowdens—			
Sowden	165	148	192
Malone	123	117	125
Pierce	132	145	168
Beauregard	146	138	162
Knoll	146	120	104
Totals	712	723	751
Duquesnes—			
Pillbrook	184	182	207
Stimell	158	136	200
Hall	158	185	162
House	159	165	127
Houser	157	156	155
Totals	790	834	961

EAST END POLICE GET BADLY FOOLED

Frightened Servants Telephone No. 6 Police Station for Protection from Supposed Porch Climber.

Three nervous servants in the home of W. L. Thompson, of Colonial place, Shadyside, last night wrought themselves into various stages of hysterical excitement and sent a detail of policemen from No. 6 police station on a hurried trip that resulted in nothing but disgust and profanity. About 10 o'clock a feminine voice told Lieut. Robert Gray, over the telephone that a porch climber was trying to get into Mr. Thompson's house, and that he refused to be scared away.

Several officers were soon at the house and found only three very much frightened maids, who declared that "a tall rough-looking man" had come up on the porch and asked for Mr. Thompson. While the police were endeavoring to get some intelligible statement from the girls, a private watchman joined them. After listening to the talk of the maids for a few minutes he explained that he had been on the porch, and had come there to notify Mr. Thompson that one of the awnings was loose. He was the alleged porch climber. The Thompson family was not at home.

Constible Sues Policeman.

Policeman Chris Emich of Allegheny has been sued before Alderman J. G. Harper by Constable George F. Webb for alleged assault and battery. Constable Webb alleges that he undertook to stop a fight at a silver wedding anniversary in Woods Run Saturday night and that Officer Emich interfered and assaulted him. The constable also claims that he asked the policeman to assist him in quelling the disturbance.

STUART
Of the Bankers.

LOCAL SWIMMERS ANXIOUS TO BATTLE

Manager Laidley Wants One More Chance at the Homestead Water Experts.

The water polo enthusiasts have started to come out of their shells of inactivity, and if there is a desire for competition on the part of the Homestead swimmers there is no reason why the city should not see some good sport this winter.

Manager Laidley, the old D. C. & A. C. and A. A. C. official who was defeated by a team of Duquesne players, who defeated Homestead last season, yesterday issued a defi. "You can state through The Gazette that I am willing to get a team of water polo players together and enter into a series of games provided there is an agreement that the original teams play throughout the season and that no imported talent from New York be allowed.

"It is well known how Homestead defeated us last year in the one game by the bringing on here of three Knickerbocker A. A. C. swimmers from New York, and we don't want any more of that, but are anxious to promote water polo competition here this winter."

TRACK WAS SLOPPY.

Horses Found Heavy Going at Ingleside.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—Clear and sloppy. Summary:

First race, futurity course, selling, purse—Bogus, 108, Birkenruth, 70 to 1, won; Guida, 86, Hewitt, 15 to 1, second; Vohicer, 108, Burns, 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:14. Pinillo, 91, Elliot, Magill, Sam Lazarus, Esq., also ran. Ed Lilburn fell.

Second race, 7 furlongs, selling—Sleeping Child, 104 (Hall), 25 to 1, won; Sterling Towers, 102, Ransch, 5 to 2, second; Macana, 99, Connell, 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:32¼. Kermit, inauguration, Rasp, Alade, Discovery and Pactyo also ran.

Third race, futurity course, selling—Amasa, 105, Ransch, 2 to 1, won; Ora Viva, Connell, 10 to 1, second; Onyx II., 91, C. Kelly, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:13¾. Sweetbriar, Jim Gore II., Hutch Miller, Golden Cottage and Jim Brownell also ran.

Fourth race, 6½ furlongs handicap—Corrigan, 102, Ransch, 8 to 5, won; The Farmer, 115, Minder, 3 to 1, second; Kenilworth, 112, Knight, 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:23⅗. Illowaho and Flush of Gold also ran.

Fifth race, mile and 70 yards, selling—Artilla, 103, Ransch, 5 to 2, won; Antolee, 111, Minder, 6 to 1, second; Galanthus, 106, Reed, 9 to 1, third. Time, 1:50. Expedient, Ignacio, Platonius and Dora Long also ran. They Say, 105, Mander, 3 to 1, second; Kenilworth, 112, Knight, 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:23⅗. Illowaho and Flush of Gold also ran.

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Sixth race, 6 furlongs, 2-year-olds—Gaviota, 107, Ransch, 20 to 1, won; Gold Van, 110, Donnelly, 4 to 1, second; Arabo, 110, Burns, 6 to5, third. Time, 1:17. Laura F. M., and Lady Rowell ran.

Entries for Today.

First race, 6 furlongs, selling—Pepper Sauce, 106, Estado, 103, Marello, 103, Duke of Richelieu, 100, Bell Sirene, 100; Legal Maxim, 103; Sol Lichtenstein, 100; Ingo, 95; Father Wentker, 106 Sister Sallie, 95; Dr. W. W. Keegan, 103; Discovery, 102.

Second race, 5 furlongs, selling—Quatre, 109; Creedmore, 105; Almarice, 107; Dotterel, 109; Ripper, 100; Judge Voorhies, 112; Sir Preston, 100; Master, 109; Imp. Puss, 91; Boris, 109; Portulla, 109; Dora Wel, 109; Sister, 105; Ed Lilburn, 112; Escarola, 100; Phyz, 109.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Constable, 107; Glendenning, 106; Nellie Hesthorne, 103; Muresca, 103; A saring, 103; Chadator, $100; Declaimer, 103; Idogo, 111; Blackthrone, 114; Golden Cottage, 108.

Fourth race, mile, selling—Urchin, 110; Bill Mangle, 106; Osmond, 105; Frank Woods, 110; Resin, 106; Brissac, 101; Torilla, 106; Dunblane, 113.

Fifth race, 7 furlongs—Assessment, 110; Kickumboh, 110; Wm. F., 110; Rose of Hilo, 105; Harry Thatcher, 110; Aloha II., 110; Hesper, 113; Ned Dennis, 115; Pat Morrisey, 115; Adan, 116; Bonnie Lissack, 110; Homage, 110.

Sixth race, mile, selling—Gillie, 101; Errenerdale, 101; The Major, 108; Seize, 97; Warte Nicht, 102; Stunts, 100; Esheria, 102; Dupont, 104.

DETECTIVES' QUICK WORK.

Captured Two Men Who They Think Have Unenviable Records.

The detective bureau received information that several notorious thieves were in the city and Detectives Alfred Swinehart, Charles Aymer, Harry Merritt and William Elmore were sent out to round them up. In the crowd waiting at the foot of Market street to take the West End traction cars the detectives found and arrested two men.

One said his name was R. M. Roberts and the other said he was John Heinz. Roberts, when cornered, admitted that he was the man whose picture adorns a detective publication, and Heinz said he would tell this morning who he is. It was rumored that Heinz was a woman, but the detectives denied the report. The men had a little over $40 on their persons, and the detectives believe that the "get-away man" escaped from them. They were looking for him last night. He is the man to whom thieves pass their booty after making a "touch" in a crowd.

Roberts has several aliases, such as R. M. Robertson, Robert Sherwood, R. S. Rierdan. He has been arrested in Chicago and other places, and in Kansas City was sent to the penitentiary for larceny. The Peoria police had a charge of theft against him, but the prosecuting witness died.

RECRUITING MARINES.

Men Who Want to Serve Uncle Sam at Sea Now Have the Opportunity.

Recruits for the United States Marine corps are wanted in large numbers, and recruiting stations are being located in all the leading cities of the country. A recruiting party under charge of First Lieut. John G. Mine will establish headquarters in the Federal building today and will make it a permanent rendezvous. The Marine corps now needs about 600 men, but orders are expected in a few days to increase the complement of the corps to about 1,800 men.

Until the arrival of Lieut. Mine the detail will be in charge of First Sergt. James Hart, who will open the office today.

WAS HARD DAY FOR THE JOCKEYS

Two Were Injured and One Suspended at New Orleans.

FAVORITE'S BAD DAY

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 16.—Rowdy G. fell in the third race and broke Jockey Lebiane's shoulder. Prince Blazes was cut off in the last race, stumbled and fell, throwing Jockey Treanor. The horse showed lame after the accident. After the last race the stewards sent for Jockey W. Hicks, whose recent rides on Latson, War Cry and Moabina and other horses is under suspicion. After questioning the boy, the stewards decided to suspend him, pending further investigations. They also suspended the filly Moabina and her owners, Hatfield and Ownby. Scorpio was the only winning favorite. Weather fine; track heavy. Summary:

First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Flora Levy, 94, Wissard, 15 to 1, won; Marco, 94, Fuller, 16 to 5, second; Pirate, 107, Scully, 5 to 11, third. Time, 1:38. Cologne II., War Cry, The Wizard, Eschence, Ravenspur, and Prince Herman also ran.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Aline S., 106, Munro, 15 to 1, won; Crescent City, 100, J. Miller, 5 to 1, second; Lady Brockway, 100, Millburn, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:06 4-5. Mathilde, Wilton, Sister Kate H., Honeybrook, Ardita, Lady Superior and Dr. McNally also ran.

Third race, selling, one mile—Dutch Garter, 96, Phillips, 12 to 1, won; Miss Shanley, 100, Wainwright, 10 to 1, second; Lincone, 101, Hoar, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:52 4-5. Willard J., Star Cazer, Zack Ford, Jas. J. Corbett, Kiss Quick and Maid of Enid also ran. Rowdy G. fell.

Fourth race, 7 furlongs, selling—Welcome Light, 105, Phillips, 20 to 1, second; Tom Maybin, 105, Treanor, 3 to 1, second; Floyd K., 102, Scully, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:27. Aurie B., Little Adele, Helen Hay, Floreslan, Lord Touchwood and Hedge also ran.

Fifth race, 1 mile—Semplo, 117, Gannon, 3 to 2, won; Golden Rule, 117, Treanor, 2 to 1, second; Whiskey King, 103, Hoar, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:04 4-5. Okia, If You Dare and Pompey also ran.

Sixth race, selling, one mile—Joe Lesser, 105, Fauntleroy, 6 to 1, won; Mosketo, 106, Pollock, 15 to 1, second; Georgie Gardner, 100, W. Wood, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:52 1-5. Levy Chester, Gin Spray and Moabina also ran. Prince Blazes Stumbled, threw his rider and did not finish.

Entries for Wednesday:

First race, selling, 6 furlongs—Varna Fonso, My Surprise, Enhance, Mathilde, 98; Judge Cantrell, Zealotry, 103; Rankin, Suburban Queen, 105; Lord Touchwood, 111.

Second race, 7 furlongs—Tillo, 117; Judge Magee, Ben Brower, Sergeant Charles Ramsey, Polly Bixby, Alfred C., 122; Guatama, 125.

Third race, fillies and mares, all ages, 6 furlongs—Fair Lass, 88; Shoo Fly, 95; Insolence, Hanover Queen, 104; Axus, 106; Optional, 112; The Lady, 117.

Fourth race, handicap, 6 furlongs—Mrs. Frank Foster, 100; Farmer Jim, 102; Pride of Galore, 105; Lord Melbourne, 110; Kittanning, 112.

Fifth race, selling, 1¼th miles—Trocadero, 97; Scotch Plaid, Compass, 98; Flaneur, 100; Joe Doughty, 101; Banish, 103; Erne, 105; Knight Banneret, 106.

Sixth race, 7 furlonge—Tickful, 117; Montanic, Playlike, Dandie Belle, Arutoma, Peat, Jerry Hunt, 122; Bluff Peter Duryea, 125.

PITTSBURGH'S CLUB WILL PLAY THE HOST

Program for Entertainment of Delegates to National Conference of Church Clubs.

At an informal dinner given at the Monongahela club last night preliminary arrangements were made for the entertainment of the delegates to the national conference of Church clubs to be held in this city on January 14 and 15. The dinner was given by the Church club of the diocese of Pittsburgh. About 100 were present.

Following the dinner a short executive session was held and several committees appointed. In the absence of President Reuben Miller Secretary W. C. Lynne presided. The latter read a letter from National Secretary Maj. Taylor E. Brown of Chicago, containing instructions in the management of the conference. All club secretaries have been instructed to send to Secretary Lynne the number of delegates to be sent and the names of each. Mr. Reuben Miller, president of the Pittsburgh Church club, will appoint the four delegates and alternates to represent Pittsburgh.

The program for the two days of the conference in January was completed yesterday by Secretary Lynne. On Wednesday, January 14, holy communion will be celebrated at Trinity church, Sixth avenue. The Rev. Dr. A. W. Mandel, rector, will conduct the services. The annual address will be made by E. C. Denton of Rochester, N. Y. Committees will be appointed and the report of Maj. Taylor E. Brown, secretary and treasurer, will be read. Papers will be read by James E. Middleton of Atlanta, Ga., and William R. Butler of Mauch Chunk, Pa.

Arrangements are being made by the Church club of Pittsburgh for a dinner to be given to the visitors at the Hotel Schenley on the evening of the first day of the conference. John K. Brighton has been appointed chairman of the committee on banquet and George C. Burgwin chairman of the committee on speakers. S. C. McCandless and H. P. Bope are chairmen of the committees on arrangements and entertainment.

The speakers on the second day of the conference will be the Hon. John S. Connor of Cincinnati, O., and Rathbone Gardiner of Providence, R. I. The election of officers will complete the annual session.

It is the intention of the Church club to take the visitors on a tour of the Carnegie steel works on the afternoon of Thursday, January 14.

WILL LIFT THE DEBT.

Special Feature of Anniversary Exercises at the Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church.

Arrangements have been completed for the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal church of Allegheny, which will be held in the church, at Allegheny and Beech avenues, next Sunday.

At the celebration it is expected that the greater part of the debt of $30,000, which was contracted with the erection of the new church in 1893, will be lifted. It is said $22,000 of the amount has already been subscribed and an effort will be made to raise the remainder Sunday morning.

The services will be in charge of the Rev. Dr. J. M. Thoburn, pastor of the church, who will be assisted by Bishop Fowler and the Rev. Dr. James Buckley, editor of the Christian Advocate. A special musical program has been prepared. The jubilee is in charge of A. A. Horne, A. M. Schoyer and W. B. Hamilton.

Smoke Inspectors Discharged.

The decision of the superior court, annulling the smoke ordinance enacted by Pittsburgh councils, caused the discharge of the city's two smoke inspectors yesterday. James P. Murphy and W. B. Bowles, who have been doing no work for a long time, yet drawing each a monthly salary of $75, were dismissed by Director McCandless upon instructions from Recorder Brown.

CHRISTMAS GIFT OF ONE MILLION

John D. Rockefeller's Annual Donation to Chicago University Is Announced.

OTHERS ARE GIVEN

Full Amount Reported by Dr. Harper Is $1,526,006—Discussion of Co-Education One of Features of Convocation.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—President Harper of the University of Chicago, at the convocation exercises this afternoon announced the gift by John D. Rockefeller of another million dollars to that institution. Other gifts were also announced, making the aggregate $1,526,000.

President Harper advocated the pensioning of retired professors and officers of the university, but said that the details of the plan would have to be considered further before any steps in that direction could be taken.

The resignation of Maj. H. A. Rust as comptroller of the university was also read at the convocation.

Among the new features planned is an aquarium of large proportions, to be established on the grounds.

The announcement of the Christmas present from Mr. Rockefeller came as the climax to the Christmas convocation statement. A large audience in Studebaker theater had followed the president through the reading of a long statement. Finally, reaching the Rockefeller paragraph, President Harper said:

"In addition to the other gifts mentioned, I am authorized to announce that the founder of the university has given the University of Chicago within the last four days his customary Christmas gift of $1,000,000, to be treated as an endowment fund."

The first official discussion of separate instruction was made by the president, who said that the possibility of eliminating co-instruction from co-education was definitely provided at the founding of the university. President Harper insisted that separate instructions does not mean an annex for the women, and declared that education "on equal terms" was assured.

The convocation address was delivered by William Henry Maxwell, superintendent of the New York city schools, who took for his theme "The American Teacher." Mr. Maxwell made a telling plea for higher standards and ideals in the training of the modern teacher.

FORTUNE BEING SPENT ON HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX

Three Bond Issues, and Expense May Be Still Increased.

The new High school annex of Allegheny has already cost the snug fortune of $375,000 and the end of the expense is not yet in sight. D. B. Oliver, president of the board of Allegheny school controllers, stated last night that the total cost could not be known until the building is furnished. The statement of Chief Assessor Andrew D. Armstrong, in The Gazette yesterday, that he had been informed that the board of controllers would raise the school levy from 3 to 4 mills to complete the annex, caused considerable comment.

George W. Gerwig, secretary of the board, stated last night that the finance committee of the board of controllers would meet in about two weeks to take action on the school levy for the ensuing year. He said that he did not know whether the millage would be raised or not.

Secretary Gerwig stated that there have been three bond issues to build the annex; the first was for $150,000. This was not large enough, and there was a second bond issue of $100,000. Recently there was a third bond issue of $125,000, and Secretary Gerwig thinks that this will be enough to complete the building. This may and may not include the furnishings.

Members of the board state that the board of school controllers cannot make a fourth bond issue, and that the only way to meet a possible deficiency is to increase the High school levy. The High school annex has been in the process of construction for about two years and will not be completed before the first of next September.

The case of the annex is very much similar to the Third ward school building, which required several years and repeated bond issues to finish. The Third ward building cost upwards of $400,000, for which the taxpayers of the ward will be paying for many years to come.

The people of the North Side will be paying for the High school annex for the next 30 years, the bonds running for that length of time.

MRS. DAVIS HARD TO PLACE

Supt. John McAleese Had Considerable Difficulty in Getting a Prisoner Properly Disposed Of.

Superintendent of Police John McAleese was put to no end of trouble yesterday in finding a place in which to imprison Julia Davis. She was charged with keeping a disorderly house in the hill district. The testimony before Magistrate Bernard-McKenna showed that Mrs. Davis has 10 children, six in St. Paul's orphan asylum and four in the reform school at Morganza. Her husband has the reputation of being a hard-working man, but his wife and older daughters, so it is alleged, behaved so badly that he was forced to leave home.

When Mrs. Davis was taken to the workhouse Monday the authorities there refused to take her, as she is again to become a mother. She was brought back and then taken to the jail. Magistrate McKenna changing her sentence to 20 days in jail, but Warden Lewis also declined to receive her. The magistrate then reconsidered his decision, and, taking off the sentence, held the woman for court on the charge of keeping a disorderly house, and Warden Lewis was then legally bound to accept her as a prisoner.

THIEVES IN WILKINSBURG

House of H. Adams Was Entered and Valuables Amounting to Almost $100 Taken.

Thieves entered the residence of H. Adams, No. 1101 Hay street, Wilkinsburg, yesterday afternoon while Mrs. Adams was in the rear of the house, and stole an overcoat valued at $35, a suit worth $25, a silver watch and chain and a $50 gold piece. Mrs. Adams discovered the robbery about 4 o'clock and reported the matter to the police.

The residence of Cyrus J. Rankin, in Elm street, Edgewood, was also ransacked while the family was at lunch yesterday, and $40 in money was taken from a trunk in one of the upstairs rooms.

The Wilkinsburg police believe the thieves who were operating there and in Edgewood yesterday are members of a gang which worked in this section last winter, and a determined effort is being made to locate the gang.

JURISDICTION IS CONTESTED

Packers Argue They Are Not Governed by Interstate Commerce Act.

NO TRADE RESTRAINT

District Attorney Bethea Declares Sale by Agent in New York Is Part of Transaction in Chicago—Case Is Closed.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—The "beef trust" case was revived today, in arguments before Judge Grosscup in the United States circuit court. In the demurrer, which was filed in August, the packers asserted that the bill for an injunction was "multifarious," and that it does not refer to any offense with sufficient definiteness, constituting a violation of the United States statutes. Attorney John S. Miller, representing the packers, declared that the bill does not allege any restraint of interstate or foreign commerce, and that the shipment of commodities by the packers to their agents in another state does not constitute interstate commerce. The acts of the packers, he said, were in furtherance of trade, rather than in restraint.

Taking up the charge of the existence of an agreement not to bid against one another at the stock yards, Mr. Miller held that such traffic in live stock was not interstate tr

ATTEMPT MADE TO JOSTIFY ADVANCE

ter-State Commerce Commission Inquires Into Increase in Freight Rates.

ANSWERS ARE VAGUE

Principal Witness Admits That His Road Paid Large Dividends and Converted Large Sum Into Surplus Fund.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—An investigation into the advance in freight rates on grain, dressed meats and provisions from the Mississippi river, Chicago, etc., to New York and eastern points governed by the New York rate, was begun today by the interstate commission.

The testimony showed that $400,000 revenue would be added to the profits of one road alone by contemplated increase. The chief witness was Traffic Manager Grammer of the Lake Shore. Traffic Manager Mitchell of the Michigan Central also testified, the latter's testimony, however, being qualified by the statement that his reason for increasing the rates was because the presidents of the roads had ordered the increase.

The commission decided to require the railroads to file written statements by January 10 setting forth the reasons for the advance in rates. A new hearing will be held probably in Washington at the earliest practicable date.

Many Systems Represented.

Present today were traffic and freight managers of the Michigan Central, Lake Shore, Erie, Pennsylvania, Baltimore & Ohio, New York Central, Lackawanna, Lehigh Valley, Chesapeake & Ohio and southern railways. By agreement of the railroad representatives, Mr. Grammer, traffic manager of the Lake Shore, included in his testimony not only a detailed statement regarding his own road, but a statement of the general situation. He contended that the roads were spending more than they earned. Commissioner Prouty asked if the earnings of the Lake Shore road were not sufficient, on the basis of the last 10 months, to pay the interest on its bonds, 10 per cent dividends on its preferred and 7 per cent dividends on its common stock, and then carry $2,500,000 into the surplus fund. Mr. Grammer did not make a direct answer and declined to state what he thought ought to be carried as surplus, but claimed that the road could not do anything more than to take care of itself.

Adhering to the Tariffs.

Both he and Mr. Mitchell testified that their roads were strictly observing the published tariffs, but had not been doing so prior to May last, and acknowledged that the departure from the tariffs in the past had caused large losses.

Mr. Grammer said that the railroads had agreed to advance the rate on iron articles on January 1 by 10 per cent in shipping west from Pittsburgh, Youngstown, Cleveland and other points.

When asked regarding the cost of hauling a train of 50 cars loaded with grain from Chicago to Buffalo, Mr. Grammer testified in effect that while the railroad could get from such a train a revenue of $3,000, the cost of operating the train, wages, fuel, oil, waste, etc, would amount to only $280. Mr. Grammer admitted that railroads were never more prosper-

FIRST IN THE FIELD.

Citizens of First Ward, Allegheny, Nominate Strong Ticket for Councils and School Board.

The Citizens organization of the First ward, Allegheny, is the first to put a councilmanic ticket in the field to be voted upon at the February election. A meeting was held in the office of Alderman Samuel Abernathey, Diamond street, at which the following ticket was nominated: George C. Lecky, select council; Dr. J. S. Duff and Jesse H. Sheasley, common council; Dr. William G. Adair and James McAuley Rodgers, school directors.

George C. Lecky, candidate for select council, is well known in the First ward, it having been his home from birth. His grandfather was three times sheriff of Allegheny county. He is at present a director of the First ward school. Dr. J. S. Huff is a prominent physician, and Mr. Sheasley, the other candidate for common council, is a manufacturer of paints and oils. He has been a resident of the ward for 14 years.

James McAley Rodgers, candidate for school director, is an electric craneman in the American Locomotive works. Dr. Adair is an assistant surgeon at St. John's General hospital, Allegheny.

Epileptic Fits Can Be Cured.

Mrs. Joseph Keller, Converse, Ind., Paid Doctors Over $1,000 and They Failed to Cure Her of Fits.

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Room 200, 545 Liberty st.

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CLERK—Bill clerk; one who has had experience. Address K 17, The Gazette.

COMPOSITORS—Job compositors. Duncan & Co., 1006 Penn ave.

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DRUG CLERK—About 18 years; with 3 or 4 years' experience. Apply at Schilling Bros. Co., Penn and Frankstown aves.

LABORERS on slag roofing at train shed, Union station. Warren-Ehret Company, Contractors.

MARINE CORPS, U. S. NAVY.—Recruits wanted; able-bodied men; service on our warships in all parts of the world and on land in the Philippines when required. Apply Recruiting Officer, rooms 414-415 City Postoffice building.

MEN for U. S. army; able bodied unmarried men, between ages of 21 and 35; citizens of United States of good character and temperate habits, who can speak, read and write English. For information apply Recruiting Officer, 510 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa.

PORTER—First-class bar porter. Call at Hotel Morin, 3716 Forbes st., city.

SALESMAN—Outside salesman for custom made tailoring; big salary to right party. Call at room 71, Griswold hotel, bet. 7 and 9 this evening.

STAR Employment Bureau—The king of them all; largest and most successful in the state; 25 to 60 orders received daily; 30 years' experience; men seeking employment call; we furnish the largest firms and railroad offices from heads of departments to porters; our immense patronage enables us to guarantee positions. Star Bureau, 120 Sixth st.

WANTED—We want some hustling men to solicit scholars from house to house, both in and out of the city, and for the proper parties and they must be hustlers, we will pay $100 per month and commission. Pennsylvania Correspondence Schools, Hamilton Bldg., 335 Fifth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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WAISTMAKERS, skirtmakers and helpers. Hendricks, 126 Sixth street.

WANTED—An energetic woman of good appearance to represent responsible Cleveland business firm in Pittsburgh. Address, giving age and experience, if any, Box W 49, The Gazette.

WRAPPERS—Girls for wrapping department. Apply Bruce Bros.' Park Place Laundry, Wilkinsburg.

Male and Female Help.

MALE and female help supplied. WALKER, 610 Duquesne way. Tel. 330.

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ENGINEER—An electrical engineer with extensive experience as electrical superintendent in steel works, would like an engagement with an established contracting engineering company. Address K 44, The Gazette.

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Real Estate.

TO BUY a 4, 5 or 6-room house and lot; somewhere in the neighborhood of Perrysville ave., Allegheny city. Will buy at once, stating lowest price and location. Address T 84, The Gazette.

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PUPILS—Day and night school for young and middle aged men and women. Actual Business College, 316 Fifth avenue, big ten-cent store building. Call or write for catalogues.

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$14,000, rents for $1,500. Brick building of 8 rooms and large store room, on corner, brick dwelling of 6 rooms, and 2 of 4 rooms each, all adjoining. The four houses are all in good condition, and have halls, baths, both gases, etc. This is an excellent investment.

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PERSONAL—Baths, manicuring. Elsie Mills, 800 Penn ave., second floor.

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BRAUN'S Dancing Academy; 10 lessons, three dollars. Sixth and Liberty sts. Austin McFadden, owner.

WATCH for McDougall's opening, Cyclorama Auditorium, Allegheny.

LOST.

LOST—Tuesday last, white Collie dog, brown on ears and face; had brass collar with inscription name, "Bud." Owner C. F. Kirschler, Jr., Allegheny Pa. Liberal reward will be paid if returned to C. F. Kirschler, Newell's block, Pittsburgh.

LOST—On Saturday, a gold lead pencil; liberal reward. Address W 27, The Gazette.

LOST—About noon Sunday, small gold locket Reward at 832 Frick building.

MEETINGS.

NOTICE—The members of Cuyasuta Lodge No. 348, F. and A. M. are requested to be present at the hall of this lodge, West End Bank building, on Thursday, December 18, at 9 o'clock a. m., to attend the funeral of our late brother, Samuel H. Lawson, of Crafton. By order of JACOB BIBER, W. M.
JOHN WEAVER, Secy.

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FOUND—Reliable watch repairing. Cash paid for old gold. Christ Rauch, 541 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

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PATENTS—O. D. Levis; 25 years' attorney, 643 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

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Eighth street and Penn avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December, 11, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the National Glass Company held at the principal office of the company, at the corner of Penn avenue and Eighth street, in the city of Pittsburgh, on Monday, the fifth day of February, 1903, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of giving or withholding consent to a proposition to issue preferred stock in exchange for a portion of the outstanding stock of the company in certain proportions of its stock and cash, as may be determined at said meeting.

ADDISON THOMPSON, Secretary.

Commpolitan National Bank,
Wood and Liberty Streets,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Wood and Liberty streets, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.

D. J. RICHARDSON, Cashier.

Pittsburgh National Bank of Commerce,
Corner of Sixth avenue and Wood street,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. at the banking house, corner Sixth avenue and Wood street.

A. C. KNOX, Cashier.

Duquesne National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Duquesne National Bank of Pittsburgh for the election of ten (10) directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 409 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 13th day of January, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 1 p. m.

A. H. PATTERSON, Cashier.

The Arsenal Bank of Pittsburgh,
4200 Butler st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Forty-third and Butter streets, on Wednesday, January 14, 1903, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m.

JOHN GRINE, Cashier.

Monongahela National Bank,
Sixth ave. and Wood st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner of Wood street and Sixth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.

JOHN D. FRASER, Cashier.

Union National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election of directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Fourth avenue and Market street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of one (1) and three (3) o'clock p. m.

C. F. DEAN, Cashier.

The Federal National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for 15 directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth avenue and Smithfield street, on Tuesday, January 13 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m.

G. W. EISENBEIS, Cashier.

Western Savings & Deposit Bank,
Pittsburgh, Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election of seven directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 531 Smithfield st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.

CHARLES E. SCHUETZ, Cashier.

First National Bank of Birmingham,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for seven directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner 1201 Carson street, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.

DANIEL BEECH, Cashier.

The Diamond National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for fourteen directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth ave. and Union st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.

H. C. WETTENGEL, Cashier.

Farmers Deposit National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Dec. 11, 1902.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, to elect directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 220 Fourth avenue, on TUESDAY, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.

J. W. FLEMING, Cashier.

Exchange National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of the Exchange National Bank of Pittsburgh will be held at the banking house, No. 240 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m.

A. LONG, Cashier.

Ft. Pitt National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.

A. W. HERRON, Cashier.

First National Bank of Verona,
Verona, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 3 and 4 p. m.

W. E. BARGAR, Cashier.

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MONEY to Loan from $100 up; bring deed; no delay. Real Estate Mortgage Co., 12 Federal st.

MONEY to loan on mortgages.
W. F. WEITERSHAUSEN, 717 Ohio st., Alb.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Second National Bank of Pittsburgh,
United States Depositary,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12:30 and 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of voting for or against amending Article 3, of the Articles of Association, to read: "The board of directors shall consist of not less than seven, nor more than fifteen stockholders," instead of "not less than seven, nor more than nine stockholders," and to elect directors for the ensuing year.

THOS. W. WELSH, JR., Cashier.

The Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh,
245-247 Fourth avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this company, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the company, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 m.

W. T. HOWE, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Lincoln National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for 13 directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 933 Smithfield st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.

W. R. CHRISTIAN, Cashier.

The German National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.

W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

Metropolitan National Bank,
Penn avenue and Ninth sts.,
Pittsburgh, December 8, 1902.

The annual election for nine directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.

GEORGE SEEBICK, Cashier.

Pennsylvania National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn avenue and Butler street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 noon.

R. M. DAVIS, Cashier.

Workingmans Savings Bank & Trust Co.,
Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Ohio and Madison ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 2 and 3 p. m.

CHAS. G. WAHL, Asst. Cashier.

Merchants and Manufacturers National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.

J. M. RUSSELL, Cashier.

The German National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m.

W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

German National Bank,
Allegheny, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 709 Ohio street, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m.

ALBERT HELM, Cashier.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 15, 1902.
South Side Cemetery.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this corporation, to elect directors for the ensuing year will be held at the Iron & Glass Dollar Savings Bank, 1115 Carson st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, at 2 p. m.

JOHN J. EMMETT, Secy.

Allegheny National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 229 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock a. m.

W. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.

Tradesmens National Bank,
United States Depository,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.

H. M. LANDIS, Cashier.

Commercial National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Nos. 833 and 831 Fourth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.

H. W. BICKEL, Cashier.

The National Bank of Western Pennsylvania,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn ave. and Ninth st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.

GEORGE S. MACRUM, Cashier.

Iron City National Bank of Pittsburgh,
No. 232 Fourth ave.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—An election for nine directors to serve during the ensuing year will be held at the bank, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 1 p. m

BETTER FEELING IN MONEY CIRCLES

Some Relaxation in the Tension in the Eastern Market, but Stocks Sold Off in the Closing Hour.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

The effects of the formation of the New York bankers' $50,000,000 pool for use in the money market in case of an emergency were felt in London yesterday, quotations for American securities from that market being fractionally higher and foreigners being purchasers to the extent of 10,000 to 15,000 shares. It was also felt in the eastern money market, where time loans were obtainable at slight concessions upon the big rates that have been recently quoted. The stock market opened firm and advanced slowly during the greater part of the session, although the volume of business was restricted by the storms which cut off the rest of the country from prompt telegraphic service. The highest prices were current shortly after noon, when leading railway stocks averaged 3 to 4 per cent above the lowest level of the preceding day. Shortly before the close St. Paul developed considerable weakness and broke from 170¾ to 167, recovering only a small fraction of the loss. Missouri Pacific also sold off sharply. United States Steel preferred declined a point from 82 to 81, and the rest of the list sympathized with the weakness in the leaders. The change in temper was ascribed to the news from Washington, to the effect that after a prolonged meeting of the cabinet the announcement had been made that this government would not modify its interpretation of the scope of the Monroe doctrine. This, taken in connection with the earlier dispatches from London and Berlin, which contained the semi-official statement that Venezuela's petition for arbitration had come too late, was sufficient to produce an unsettled feeling in supersensitive minds, and furnish traders with the opportunity to work for a reaction.

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Two views were expressed concerning the pool formed to furnish $50,000,000 to the New York money market in case of emergency. One was that the bankers forming the pool are in a position to know just what actual conditions are and the liability of an emergency arising, and the fact that the pool was formed was evidence that the situation warranted the providing of an emergency fund. It is needless to say that this was the minority view. Stock market operators breathed easier, and there was a more cheerful feeling in financial circles. The most widespread effect of the announcement will probably be upon persons who always accumulate a fund for the purpose of picking up bargains at the end of the year, when money flurries usually occur. The formation of the pool is a sort of notice that there will be no "fire sales," no abnormally low prices resulting from forced liquidation, and the bargain-seeker will feel more disposed to make investments around the present level. It will also have the effect of loosening up banking credit, particularly in interior markets, where the amount advanced on ordinary collateral security has been steadily reduced. If it is followed in January by a return flow of currency to eastern money centers, the latter fact will be evidence of normal conditions, and while a bull market in stocks may not immediately ensue, there will be a broader market for first-class investment securities. If money does not flow eastward, however, then the public will be warranted in assuming that the monetary situation is extraordinary, and hence calls for caution.

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The foreign trade statement for November, published yesterday, was somewhat of a disappointment, although the showing had been foreshadowed, so far as the increase in imports of merchandise was concerned, by the large customs payments that served to withdraw money from circulation during the month. The value of our merchandise imports was $85,478,765, a decrease compared with the same month last year of $12,912,458. Exports of merchandise were valued at $125,048,181, a decrease of $11,412,458, and the smallest for that month since 1898. The balance in favor of the United States on its merchandise was $30,564,416, compared with $63,889,332 for the same month last year and $71,348,000 in November, 1900. Our exports of gold for the month amounted to only $714,915, against $16,292,509 in November, 1901, a decrease of $15,557,585, which is rather remarkable, considering the predictions that were made of impending shipments abroad, and the difficulty which international bankers were said to experience in manipulating sterling exchange in order to avert exports. For the 11 months of the calendar year the balance in favor of the United States was $350,821,211, a decrease of a little more than $200,000,000 compared with the same time last year. This difference, of course, was due to the falling off in our exports, amounting to $116,000,000, which was caused by the failure of our corn crop last year, and to the increase of more than $74,000,000 in our imports of merchandise. A considerable proportion of the latter represented purchases of luxuries abroad, which may be construed as favorable, indicating larger purchasing power due to prevailing prosperity in this country.

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In the amount of business transacted, yesterday's local stock market was on a parity with Monday's, but there was considerable improvement in the tone, and net changes show more gains than losses. Window Glass was the strongest feature, of the general list, advancing to 51¼ on sales of only 260 shares, a rise of 2¾ per cent. This movement was apparently due more to the absence of stock for sale than to any new or favorable development in the affairs of the company. United States Steel led in point of activity, and after opening at 31⅝, advanced a dollar a share, but reacted in the final dealings in sympathy with the decline in the east. The preferred closed ¾ per cent higher at 81¾. Crucible Steel common was also firmer, advancing to and closing at 17⅛, while the preferred rallied to 84½. Fire Proofing stocks were more active and advanced to 25 for the common and to 36 for the preferred. Westinghouse Electric second preferred was 2 points higher at 95 and closed at that price bid. Buying is still restricted by the condition of the money market, but it is apparent that there are no stocks pressing for sale.

In the banking and trust company group the only change of note was in Dollar Savings Fund and Trust, which advanced 5 points to 280 on the announcement of the declaration of an extra dividend. Bonds were quiet and unchanged.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Transactions on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday aggregated 8,436 shares stock and $4,000 bonds. Sales:

10 to 10:30 a. m.

40	Crucible com.	17	
100	do	17	
50	P. Coal com.	28½	
50	do	28⅝	
20	F. Proof. pfd.	35½	
25-50-28-10-50		35½	
15-50-50-50	do	35½	
15	Brewing pfd.	47	
20	do	47	
50	F. Proof. com	23½	
100	do	23½	

10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

25	F. Proof. com	23⅝	
15-50-50-70	do	23⅝	
50	do	23⅝	
100	Crucible com.	17⅛	
50	do	17⅛	
50	do	17⅛	
10	M. L. & H.	88	
10	U. S. S. com.	31⅝	
25-50-50-50-100		32	
100	do	32	

12:30 to 2 p. m.

50	Crucible com.	17⅜	
100	do	17⅜	
50	do	17⅜	
20	W. Glass com	50¾	
20	do	50¾	
50-50	do	50½	
100	do	50½	
100	U. S. S. com.	31⅞	
50	do	32	
50	Electric 24s	95	

2 to 3 p. m.

50	F. Proof. com	24⅜	
50	do	24½	
50	do	24⅜	
5	do	24⅜	
10	do	24½	
50	Brewing com.	30	
20	F. Proof. pfd.	36	
50-10-50	do	36	
75	Crucible com.	84½	
25-25	do	84½	
5	U. S. S. pfd.	82¾	
10	do	81⅞	
10-25	do	81¾	
50	do	81⅞	
5	U. S. S. com.	32½	

Bonds, Etc.

$1,000	Brew. 6s	113	
$1,000	do	113	
$1,000	R. Coal 6s	112¼	
$1,000	do	112	

*Ex-dividend 1¾ per cent.

Summary.

SHARES.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'ge.
260 Brewing	30	29½	30	+⅝
145 Do preferred	47	47	47	0
710 Cruc. Steel	17½	17	17⅛	+⅛
146 Do preferred	84½	84	84½	+½
555 Fire Proofing	25	23½	25	+1½
615 Do preferred	36	35½	36	+½
10 M. L. & H.	87	87	87	−3
150 Pgh. Co. com	44	44	44	0
250 Pgh. Coal	28⅝	28½	28⅝	+⅛
30 Do preferred	87	87	87	+¾
50 River Coal	9½	9½	9½	−⅜
225 Do preferred	30½	29⅝	30⅛	+¼
1220 U. S. Steel	*32½	31⅝	31¾	+⅝
425 Do preferred	*82⅛	81¼	81¾	+¾
415 W. Elec. 1sts	95	95	95	+½
250 Do 2ds	95½	95	95	+2
260 W. Glass com	51¼	50½	51¼	+2¾
35 Ally. Trust	150	150	150	0
20 D. S. F. & T.	280	280	280	+5
35 S. Dep. & Tr.	115	115	115	0
20 Trad. & M. B.	72	72	72	+1
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BONDS.

$2000	Brewing 6s	113	113	113
$2000	River Coal 6s	112¾	112	112
4000				

*Five shares only. †Ex-dividend 1¾ per cent.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.

Pgh. Elec.		B. of S. S.	91½
Arsenal	150	D.S.F. & T.	280
Bk. of Pgh.		Nat. Gas.	
City Dep.	197	M. L. & H.	88
Keystone	350	Mining.	
Manufac.	120	Luster	12
Mon Nat.	204	Traction.	
Third Nat.		Pleas. Val.	
Tard. & M.	72	Electric.	
W. S. & D.	115	West. 24s pfd	95
Fed. Nat.	142	Miscel.	
Trust Cos.		Crucible	17⅛
American	140	Do pfd.	84½
Guarantee	145	Marsden	
Pa. Trust	290	N. P. Roof	24⅜
Real Estate	278½	Do pfd.	35⅞
S. D. & T.	114⅝	Phila. Co.	44
Conwith	232	233	P. S. C. pfd	89½
Ally. Bks.		U. S. Glass	90
Ally. Trust	150	151	W. Airbrake	170

UNLISTED SECURITIES.

Allegh. Nat.		P. Coal pfd	88½
A. W. Glass	50¾	51	P. S. & R. pf	17
Do pfd.	88	U. S. Steel	31⅞
Con. Gas pf	44	Do pfd.	81⅞
Con Ice pfd		W. Inghouse	100
P. R. Coal	6½	9⅝	BONDS.
Do pfd.	39½	40	Miscel.
P. Brewing	29⅞	30⅜	M. R. C. 6s	112

Do pfd.	46⅞	47	P. Brew. 6s	113
Pgh. Coal	28⅜	29		

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Today is the anniversary of President Cleveland's message on the Venezuelan boundary dispute on December 17, 1895. Its effect upon the stock market was instantaneous. Values dropped at an alarming rate, call money advanced to 80 per cent bid, and many failures occurred on the stock exchange. As a matter of interest, the lowest and highest prices on a score of stocks for that year (1895) is appended:

	Low.	High.
Atchison	4½	23⅝
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	5	22
Baltimore & Ohio	32½	66¾
Canadian Pacific	33	57½
Chicago-Northwestern	87½	109½
Erie	7¾	15⅞
Illinois Central	81½	106
Louisville & Nashville	39	69¼
Missouri Pacific	18⅝	42½
New York Central	90	104⅝
Norfolk & Western	11¼	34½
Northern Pacific	8½	30⅞
Pennsylvania	97½	114½
Reading	4⅜	22⅝
St. Paul	53⅝	78⅜
Southern Railway	7	14⅜
Union Pacific	4	17½
Western Union	82½	95⅝
Sugar	80½	121⅜

Following are quotations made on stocks not listed on the exchange: German American Savings and Trust, 160@165; South Side Trust, 180@201; Republic National bank, 120 asked; Philadelphia Company new 5s, 104¾ asked; Ohio Fuel Supply, 28@29.

Arsenal bank was higher at 150 bid.

Switch & Signal common was nominally quoted at 90 asked.

On the exchange subscription rights on Fidelity Title & Trust were offered at 150. This would be equivalent to 700 a share for the stock, with the rights on, figured thus: One share of stock, selling at 525, carries the right to subscribe for one share new stock at 400, making the cost of two shares $1,100, or an average of 550, which is equivalent to the premium of 150 for the right to subscribe for one share at 400. There were no bids or offers.

Following is an official list of the New York banks in the $50,000,000 "emergency pool," the amount of their subscriptions to the same, and their reserves as required by law, according to last Saturday's bank statement:

	Subscription.	Res.
First National bank	$5,000,000	28.2
National City bank	5,000,000	29.6
Bank of Commerce	5,000,000	24.7
Hanover National bank	5,000,000	25.9
Fourth National bank	5,000,000	27.2
Western National bank	5,000,000	29.9
Park National bank	5,000,000	30.9
Chase National bank	5,000,000	23.4
J. P. Morgan & Co.	5,000,000	24.6
Corn Exchange bank	5,000,000	22.6
Chemical National bank	1,000,000	26.2
Bank of New York	1,000,000	28.5

It will be noted that three out of the nine clearing house banks are already below their required reserve, and that the percentage of all (exclusive of J. P. Morgan & Co.) is 26.5 per cent, should the emergency arise that would call for the use of the entire subscription, the banks would either be compelled to call in loans or allow their reserves to fall below requirements. It is the opinion of the subscribers, however, that none of the money will be required, and as one of them expressed it, anyone who tries to put the stock market down with all the stock he can sell "can handle thrown at him." While the rather sudden reaction in yesterday's market at the close was attributed to new developments in the Venezuelan matter, it is the opinion of that some of the subscribers of this pool were "throwing stocks" at too enthusiastic bulls, and they could not have selected two more influential specialties in their respective classes than St. Paul and United States Steel preferred.

The comptroller of the currency has compiled a statement showing the condition of all the national banks of the country at the close of business November 25, as indicated by reports received from the individual banks. The loans and discounts November 25 were $8,206,148,091, as against $7,971,850,031 July 16, and the individual deposits aggregated $8,152,873,796, a gain of about $54,000,000. The lawful money reserve in the banks was $833,591,769, as against $850,618,190 July 16.

When Pennsylvania was selling at 172 Russell Sage astounded the street by offering puts and calls on that stock at 175 and 150, good for six months. The old wizard was not wrong. Penny has dipped under 150 several times during the past week, including yesterday.

The American Pipe Manufacturing Company of Philadelphia has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, payable January 1.

The American Cement Company has declared a 5 per cent dividend, and an extra 1 per cent, payable January 21.

The regular quarterly dividends of 2 per cent on Union Switch & Signal preferred and 1 per cent on the common, are payable January 10 to stock of record January 1.

Bradstreet made the world's visible supply of wheat decrease 323,000 bushels, against an increase of 1,926,000 bushels last year. The decrease was in European stocks and in the amount afloat. These were both bullish items but failed to stimulate any speculative buying.

The strength of Window Glass was based upon a report that the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company stood ready to take the big order for glass offered by the manufacturers, if the jobbers' association could not agree to the terms offered. The Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company is the largest individual jobber in window glass in the country, having established its own warehouses in the principal cities for handling both window and plate glass, as well as paints, etc.

The announcement of the purchase of the Union Sheet and Tin plates by the United States Steel Corporation was new trade small long after the close of the market, and no one in the street had an inkling of the movement, although there has been rumors that such would be the outcome. The opinion last night was that the deal should have a favorable effect upon United States Steel, first, because it absorbed what promised to be the most aggressive competitor in the field, and next because the absorption, according to Judge Gary's statement, was to be made on the basis of actual property values, and while the big corporation will grant no information on the goods issued to purchase the plants, it will not increase its own capital issue.

MOVEMENTS IN TRADE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—No call for assistance was received today by the $50,000,000 pool organized by the leading banking interests as a protective measure.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Negotiations were concluded today for the importation of $250,000 in gold from France this week. The metal will leave Havre next Saturday consigned to the National City bank of this city.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 16.—The Detroit Southern railroad will build a line into Toledo within the next year. This announcement was made by an official of the company who was in the city today. The company has had a corps of engineers at work for the past month surveying a line from Detroit to Toledo.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16.—The Western Maryland railroad has awarded contracts to the Degnon-McLean Construction Company of New York for the construction of the tidewater terminals of the Wabash railroad. The grading of the seven mile branch from the main line to the site of the terminals near Fort McHenry will begin at once.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption shows: Available cash balances, $207,000,584; gold, $120,294,945; silver, $6,124,781; United States notes, $2,696,256; treasury notes of 1890, $104,631; national bank notes, $14,210,263; total receipts this day, $1,451,000; total receipts this month, $26,217,500; total receipts this year, $267,699,655; total expenditures this day, $1,-226,000; total expenditures this month, $22,-545,000; total expenditures this year, $240,911,-227; deposits in national banks, $140,854,927.

Money Closes a 4 Per Cent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Money on call steady at 4@6½ per cent, closing offered at 4 per cent; time money easier, 60 and 90 days, 8 per cent; 6 months, 6 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent; sterling exchange heavy with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 85.55@4 86.875 for demand, at $4 83.125@4 83.25 for 60 days' bills; posted rates, $4 84½ and $4 88; commercial bills, $4 84½@4 83. Bar silver, 488c. Mexican dollars, 37½c.

PRICES MELT AWAY IN LAST HALF HOUR

Early Strength in Market in Wall Street Does Not Hold Out.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—There was an extraordinary melting away of prices in the last half hour of today's market, following a marking up of quotations during all the previous portion of the session. Shortly before 2:30 o'clock prices were at the highest of the day, and net gains of 2 points or over had been attained by leading stocks, such as Pennsylvania, Southern Pacific, Missouri Pacific, St. Paul, Rock Island preferred, Delaware & Hudson and sugar. In the last half hour St. Paul dropped back abruptly 3¾, and some of the other stocks were carried swiftly downward.

The interpretation of the movement was believed to be that the powerful interests in the financial world which announced their organization yesterday for the protection of the money market desired to convey a warning that they had no intention of allowing those plans to be interfered with by injudicious speculation at this time. There was more or less realizing before the close by the professional traders, who bought in yesterday's market and early this morning.

Previous to the final slump the course of prices was quite prosperously upwards. There were reports of assurances received by the state department regarding the intentions of Great Britain and Germany in Venezuela, which served to cause a better sentiment on that subject, but the principal influence in the rise was the cessation effect of the formation of the bankers' pool providing $50,000,000 for use in a possible money market emergency. The effect was to relieve the stock market from the pressure of liquidation. Offerings became so light, in fact, that it was found easy to bid up prices on very light purchases. There was some surprise expressed, however, over the extent of the protective measures taken by the banks. There was much surmise as to a possible need for these measures, which has not been disclosed, and a disposition to consider that the existence of such a need was indicated by the formation of the pool. While it was recognized that no part of this fund would be likely to find its way directly into the stock market, it was considered probable that further withdrawals of loans from the stock market would be avoided, owing to the unfavorable effect on sentiment which the heavy stock liquidation has caused.

The principal good which it is hoped to achieve by the announcement of the large resources available is upon sentiment. Part of the present stringency is undoubtedly due to the withholding of funds by persons who have become timid or who have determined to wait for high money rates before lending their resources.

Call loan rates did not get above 6½ per cent today and ran off to below 5 per cent when the principal demands had been met. The time money market was also called easier in tone, although not quotably changed. Much satisfaction was felt because, notwithstanding the easier tone of money, sterling exchange rates yielded an additional fraction. The stock market closed distinctly weak.

Bonds became firm in sympathy with stocks, but yielded at the last. Total sales, par value, $2,505,000. United States new 4s declined ½ per cent on last call.

Foreign Quotations.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—Money, 3¼@3½ per cent; discount rates, short bills, 3⅝@3¾ per cent; three months' bills, 3 11-16@3 13-16 per cent. Gold premiums: Buenos Ayres, 127.40; Madrid, 33.50.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—Three per cent rentes, 98 francs 50 centimes, ex-interest.

BERLIN, Dec. 16.—Exchange on London, 20 marks 44½ pfgs for checks.

NEW YORK PRICES.

Daily range of prices reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings bank building, Members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open	High	Low	Close
38700	A., T. & S. Fe	70¾	81	70¼	70¾
4000	Do preferred	97⅞	98¼	97½	97⅝
	Am. Cotton Oil	41	41	40	40¼
	Do preferred	97	97	97	98
24000	Am. Sug. Ref	120⅜	122⅛	120¼	121
	Do preferred				116½
1100	Am. Locomotive	25½	26¼	25½	25⅝
400	Do preferred	91⅝	92	91⅜	91¾
1200	Am. Car Found.	33¼	33¼	32⅞	33¼
200	Do preferred	85½	88⅝	88½	88⅝
15600	Amalgm. Copper	55½	56⅜	55½	55⅝
400	Am. Steel & Wire	34	36	34	35
100	Am. Smelt & Ref.	39	39¼	38	38½
800	Do preferred	90	91½	90	90
	American Ice	9¾	10	9¾	9¾
	Am. Linseed	10	10	10	10
31000	Balto. & Ohio	94⅝	96¼	94	94⅝
6700	Do preferred	92	93	92	93
2300	Brooklyn Rap. Tr	61⅝	63	61⅜	61½
8300	Canadian Pacific	126	127	125½	126
6400	Can. Gt. West	23	23⅝	23	23⅛
1300	Consolidated Gas	208	209½	208	208
800	C., C., C. & St. L	95¾	96	95¾	95¾
400	Ches. & Ohio	45	45	44½	45
500	Chicago & Alton	31	31⅝	30⅜	31¼
	Do preferred				69
1400	Chicago & N'wn.	213¾	217	213	215
1400	Chic., Mil. & St. P.	174½	175¾	173½	174¾
	Corn Product	27	28¼	27	28⅛
	Do preferred	80½	80½	80½	80½
800	Colo. Southern	25⅜	26⅝	25⅜	25⅝
850	Do 1st pfd	68	68	67	67
800	Do 2nd pfd	40¾	41½	40¾	41
100	D., L. & West	241	241	241	244
700	Dela. & Hudson	157	158½	156	157½
23200	Erie	31	31⅞	30⅝	31
1900	Do 1st pfd	62½	63	62¼	62¾
1700	Do 2nd pfd	43¾	44	43	43
100	General Electric	175¾	176½	175¼	174
2900	Hocking Valley	99	100½	98	98⅝
1500	Do preferred	100	100½	100	100
2500	Illinois Central	140½	141⅞	140	140⅜
400	Iowa Central	36	37	36	36
	Do preferred				93
500	Iater. & Per	16¾	16⅞	16¼	16⅝
	Do preferred				70½
600	L. E. & West	48	49½	48	48
	Do preferred				115
6800	Louis. & Nash	118⅝	120⅜	118¼	119¼
17600	Manhattan	144½	145⅝	143¾	143⅞
36200	Missouri Pacific	102¾	104¾	101⅞	102
700	M., K. & T. pfd	52⅜	53	52⅜	53
3700	Metropolitan	135½	138¼	135½	136⅝
300	Mexican Central	21⅝	21⅝	20⅞	21
700	National Lead	25	25½	25	25
	Do preferred				90
	National Biscuit				44¾
	Do preferred				101
8700	N. Y. Central	150¼	152	150	150¾
	N. J. Central				165
4400	N. Y., O. & W.	27¾	28¼	27¾	27⅝
4600	Norfolk & West.	67	69⅜	68¼	68⅞
	Do preferred				90
200	North Amer. Co.	110	111⅜	110	110
1220	Peoples Gas	99¾	100⅝	99¾	100¾
700	Pressed Steel Car	57	57	56	57
	Do preferred	90	90½	90	90
32900	Penna. R. R.	152⅜	154⅛	152	152⅝
	Railway Springs				33
	Do preferred	85¾	85⅞	85¼	85¼
64900	Reading	57⅝	59⅜	57¼	57⅝
800	Do 1st pfd	84⅜	85	84⅜	85
1200	Do 2d pfd				74
15200	Rock Island	37	38¾	36⅝	37
8400	Do preferred	77½	80	77½	79⅝
100	Republic Iron	18¾	18⅞	18¾	18¾
200	Do preferred	75	75	75	74⅝
500	St. L. & S. F.	65¼	66¼	65¼	66
100	Do 1st pfd	79¼	79¼	79¼	79
400	Do 2d pfd	66¾	67¼	66¾	67
38100	Southern Pacific	58⅛	60¼	58⅜	59
11450	Southern Railway	30	30⅝	29⅝	30⅜
100	Do preferred	90	90	89½	90
54900	St. Paul	168⅝	170⅝	167	167⅝
500	Do preferred				181
100	St. L. & S. W.	25	25	25	25
17900	Do preferred	57¾	59¼	57¾	57⅝
1300	Tenn Coal & Iron	54	54¾	54	53¾
5200	Texas & Pacific	38	39⅛	38	38¾
1400	T. St. L. & S. W.	26	27	26	26¾
200	Do preferred	46	46	45	45½
23800	U. S. Steel	31⅝	32¼	31⅛	31½
13200	Do preferred	81	82	80⅝	81
55700	Union Pacific	96¼	97	95⅜	95½
7600	Do preferred	91	91¾	91	91
3100	U. S. Leather	11⅜	11⅝	11⅛	11½
400	Do preferred	86½	87	86½	86⅞
	U. S. Cast I. Pipe	12⅝	13	12⅝	12
	Do preferred				71
	U. S. Rubber	21	21¼	20½	21
	Do preferred	66¾	67¼	66¾	67
1100	Wabash	25⅜	26	25	25¼
2700	Do preferred	39	40⅛	38⅝	39¾
800	W. U. Telegraph	87¾	88¼	87¾	87⅝
300	W. & L. E.	22	22⅜	22	22¼
	Do 1st pfd	51	52½	51	52
100	Do 2d pfd	32	32	32	32
700	Wisconsin Cent'l	23¾	24¼	23¾	23⅝
500	Do preferred	48¼	48⅞	48¾	48

636500 Total sales for day.

Supplementary New York Stocks.
(By Private Wire to The Gazette.)

Sales.	STOCKS.	High.	Low.	Close.
100	Allis. Chal. Co.	18½	18½	18½
600	American Bicycle	¾	¾	¾
200	American G. Twine	29½	28¾	28¾
400	Am. Steel. F'dry pfd	63½	63	63½
100	Brunswick	8¾	8¾	8¾
1300	Chi. Perm. Tr. pfd	30⅝	29	30⅝
2000	D. & R. G.	37¾	36½	37¾
700	Do preferred	89¾	87¾	88½
	Int. Pump	43	43	43
100	Do preferred	92	92	92
2000	M. St. P. & S. S. M.	70¾	68¾	70¾
500	N. Y. Airbrake	162½	160	162½
100	Quicksilver	2¼	2¼	
200	Do preferred	5¾	5¾	
200	Third Avenue	125	124	
100	U. S. & P.	12½	12½	
1200	U. S. R. & Con.	21½	20⅝	
500	Do preferred	120½	120	
100	Val. Detin. Co.	30½	30½	

NEW YORK CLOSING BONDS.

U. S. reg. 2s	107¾	L. & N. uni. 4s	96
Do coupon	108¼	Mex. Cen. 4s	72
Do 3 reg	107¾	Do 1st. inc.	29
Do coupon	107¾	Minn. & St. L. 4s	103
Do N. 4s. reg	135	M., K. & T. 2d.	81
Do coupon	135	Do 2ds	81
Do O. 4s reg	106½	N. Y. Cen. 1sts	102
Do coupon	106½	Do gen. 3½s	104
Do 5s reg	107¾	N. C. Con. 6s	135
Do coupon	108¼	North. Pac. 4s	104
Atchison gen. 4s	101¾	Do 3s	72
Do adjt. 4s	80	N. & W. C. 6s	120
Bal. & Ohio 4s	100⅝	Read. gen. 4s	95
Do P. L. 4s	113	St. L. & S. F. 6s	127
Do Conv. 4s	104¾	St. L. & S. F. 4s	97
Can. South. 2ds	108	St. L. S.W.n. 1sts	95
Cen. of Geor. 5s	103	Do 2ds	84
Do 1st Inc.	73	S. A. & A. P. 4s	89
Ches. & O. 4½s	102½	South. Pacific 4s	88
Chi. & Alton 3½s	79	South. Railway 5s	118
C. R. & Q. N.4s	96	Tex. & Pac. 1sts	116
C., M. & St. P. 8s	153	Do 2ds	112
C. & N'n. C. 7s	133½	Union Pacific 4s	103
C., R. I. & P. 4s	107½	Do conv. 4s	103
C., C. & St. L. 4s	96	Wabash 1sts	115
Corn Product 6s	107	Do 2ds	107
Col. & South. 4s	92	Do Deb. B	72
Den. & R. G. 4s	100	West Shore 4s	113
Erie prior lien 4s	97½	W. & L. E. 4s	81
Do gen. 4s	81½	W. Md. 4s	91
F. W. & D. C. 1st	100	Con. Tobacco	62
Hock. Val. 4½s	108¼		

Boston Stocks.

Atchison	73⅝	Mexican Central	21⅝
Do preferred	97¾	Mexican Nation'l	9
Boston & Albany	258	Do preferred	17¾
Boston & Maine	183	Mex. Tel. & Tel	150⅜
Boston Elevated	151	Nova. Iron & Steel	20
Fitchburg pfd	141	N. Y., N. H. & H.	192
Mass. Electric	33⅜	Old Colony	207
Do preferred	83	Rubber	9
Union Pacific	95⅝	Do preferred	51
		U. S. Steel	31⅝
		Do preferred	81

Columbus Stocks.

(Reported by McElroy & Boyle.)

C., D. & T. Trac.	32½	G. Rapid St. Ry.	52½
Columbus Gas	107	Lo preferred	94½
Do preferred	104	North. Ohio Trac.	14
Colum. St. Ry.	65	Do preferred	55
Do preferred	87½	Rochester St. Ry.	91
E. St. L. & S. St. Ry	53½	Do preferred	99½

Chicago Stocks.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Closing stocks:

Amer. Can com	9¼	Nat. Carbon pfd	98
Chicago Edison	175	Swift & Co	121
Chicago Ry	115	Lake Street	37½
Diamond Match	137	Metropolitan L	35⅜
National Biscuit	44½	Do preferred	85
Do preferred	101		

Electric Stocks.

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—Electric stocks closed:

Westingh'se com.	93	Mass. Electric	33⅜
General Electric	174	Do preferred	83

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market continues firm and unchanged at 6 per cent on call and the loans. Clearing house companies:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Tuesday	$4,583,476 05	$1,495,776 05
Last week	6,383,450 49	866,164 03
Last year	6,075,906 74	1,302,880 20

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Exchanges, $388,802,977; balances, $16,854,250.

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—Exchanges, $26,001,763; balances, $1,825,227; call loans, 5½@6 per cent and 6@6¼ per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—Clearings, $25,662,255; balances, $2,560,393; money 6 per cent.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16.—Clearings, $4,408,513; balances, $910,012; money, 6 per cent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Clearings, $28,078,717; balances, $2,131,807; posted exchange, $4 84½@4 88; New York exchange, 35c premium.

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FRANK M'CANN MAKES SECOND ALLEGHENY BUY

Railroad Agitation Bears Liberty Avenue Values. Twenty Tenements for East End--Third Avenue Property Sold for $15,000.

The deal for Federal street, Allegheny, property, referred to last week in The Gazette, has been closed, the consideration being about $50,000. By the transaction Frank McCann becomes the owner of the Stephen Newburn lot at Nos. 110-112, which is located on the east side of the street between Robinson and Isabella streets. The lot has a frontage of 44 feet with a depth of 100 feet, and a three-story brick building. This makes the price about $1,134 a front foot. The deal is credited to Pearson & Kirschler. Two weeks ago Mr. McCann bought the property at No. 208 Federal street for $27,500. His investments in this part of Allegheny are suggestive as showing the disposition of a number of prominent Pittsburghers to go to the North Side for bargains. At present values in Allegheny business property are generally considered to be proportionately very much lower than for downtown property in Pittsburgh and the chances for a steady, if not rapid, appreciation in values, in Federal street especially, are thought to be fully as good as in the much-talked-of bonanza sections of down town Pittsburgh.

Afraid of L's Effect on Values.

That the proposition to put an elevated street railway in Liberty avenue is having its effect on property values in that thoroughfare is shown by two deals that fell through a few days ago. One was for a property, 22x65 feet, in the vicinity of the proposed Wabash station. It was on the market for $35,000 and the intending buyer, a well-known downtown investor, had arranged to close the deal. The elevated railroad project, led him to reconsider his decision, and although the property is considered quite a bargain at the figure named, he withdrew his offer on the ground that the elevated road would reduce property values fully one-third. The other property, 22.5x110 feet, is located on the north side of the street, above Sixth street. It was held at $80,000 and the intending buyer had planned to buy and build upon it. With the prospect of an elevated track running by the upper windows of his stores and offices, he decided that the proposed block for business purposes would not be worth more than one-half the present value of the property, and the deal fell through. A property owner near Seventh avenue made the statement yesterday that the majority of the taxpayers in that part of the street are of the opinion that the proposed invasion by an elevated track would cut at least one-third off from the present valuations and would practically ruin the street for a handsome business thoroughfare.

Bunch of Tenements Planned.

Crisman & Pfarr, who own a considerable amount of vacant frontage in Summerlea street and Georgia alley, Twentieth ward, are preparing to improve it with about 20 dwellings. These will be four and five-room frame houses costing about $1,400 each.

In spite of the fact that few large transactions are in evidence, brokers reported a good number of average deals yesterday. Most of these were purchases of residences and the largest one was the sale of a Third avenue property for $15,000 cash. The deal was made by James H. Thompson, who sold for William M. Johnson to a prominent business man a property 24x88 feet, on the north side of Third avenue, near Grant street. The lot has erected on it a two-story brick house, and was bought for an investment.

Another deal amounting to $9,000 was made through the agency of W. J. White. Wm Sankel and Murry Anderson have sold to Jacob Welsberg the property, a two-story and mansard brick house in Locust street, near Chestnut street, and a three-story flat in the rear. The lot measures 21x119 feet and extends back to Maria street.

East End House Sold.

The Real Estate Trust Company disposed of the property at No. 5622 Margaretta street for $8,500. It belonged to H. S. Neese and was bought by Mrs. Amelia Epping. The lot is 50x100 feet, and has upon it a brick house. Samuel W. Black & Co. were the brokers in the sale of the vacant lot at the southeast corner of Winebiddle and Friendship avenues, Twentieth ward, which brought $8,000 cash. It was bought by Thomas J. Williams from Robert Sproul, and measures 50x150 feet. The buyer will improve the lot with an apartment house to cost not less than $30,000, which is expected to be ready for occupancy in the spring.

The Adam Van Hofen property, a vacant plot 100x125 feet, on the west side of Straight street, at the corner of Centennial avenue, Southside, was sold by Joseph P. Rankin & Co. to Frank Schlumpf for $6,000 cash. The buyer will subdivide it into lots and put them on the market in the spring.

John Power has finally purchased the old No. 5 engine house in Center avenue for $9,500. When the property was put up at auction two weeks ago, the highest bid, $6,500, was rejected by Joseph Brown, and a second auction was held yesterday. Mr. Newell will use the property for a laundry and stable.

Controller Larkin Makes a Sale.

Controller John B. Larkin has sold to Louis Levison an improved property on the south side of Wylie avenue, near Tunnel street, Fifth ward, for $10,000.

Colwell street: The Aronson Realty Company sold for Edwin Reis of Colorado to David Epstein two two-story houses on lot 50x100 feet, on Colwell street, near Dinwiddie street, for $5,200.

Sheraden: Barr Bros. & Co. sold for F. E. Fowhi to George Bullick and E. J. Rothar a lot 25x100 feet, in Zephyr avenue, Sheraden, for $600.

Howard street: D. J. Kennedy has transferred to the D. J. Kennedy Company an improved property, 25x92 feet, on the south side of Howard street, near Whitfield street, Nineteenth ward, for $6,000.

Belmar Place: The Peoples Building Company, Limited, sold to Augusta E. Mott an improved lot 20x100 feet, on the south side of Idlewild street, near Sterrett street, Twenty-first ward, for $35,000.

Larimer avenue: C. G. Moll, trustee for Eva Bischof, deceased, sold to M. A. Ignelzi an improved property, 25x100 feet, on Larimer avenue, Twenty-first ward, for $4,825.

Colwell street: Martin and Nathan Richman sold to Sam Zirelstein and Joseph Goldberg an improved lot 20x90 feet, on the south side of Colwell street, Eighth ward, for $5,300.

Scattering Transfers.

Copeland street: John Kremer sold to Mary T. Carrol an improved lot 25x100 feet, in Copeland street, Twentieth ward, for $3,500.

Forty-fifth street: The Peoples Saving bank sold to Johanna Bowler and others a lot 108x150 feet, on the southeast side of Forty-fifth street, Seventeenth ward, for $7,250.

Belmar Place: George H. Snickler sold to Joseph J. Stumpf an improved lot 20x95 feet, on the north side of Mt. Vernon street, Twenty-first ward, for $3,850. He also sold to Gilbert W. Blaine a similar property at No. 7115 Mt. Vernon street for the same price.

Race street: George W. Mellott sold to Mrs. Catherine M. Lynch an improved lot 20x93 feet, on the southeast side of Race street, near Sterrett street, Twenty-first ward, for $7,000.

Transfers Recorded.

Mahood Edwin B ex. to I Leonard Arcuson, Dec. 5, '02, 13th wd, Pgh, 116x453, Breckenridge ave $10,500

Lippincott Jno M to Jno F Wharton, Nov. 28, '02, 5th wd, Ally, 32x106, Beaver ave 2,825

Firestone Sam'l to Henry Firestone, Dec. 3, '02, 4th wd, McKeesport, 16x150, 4th ave 3,350

Fawcett Jno W ex. to Thos McCord, Nov. 26, '02, 6th wd, McKeesport, 25x80, Martin st 15,000

Zwerlitsch Lewis ex. to Jno Hoffman, July 7, '02, Robinson twp, 50x81, Royal ave 2,300

Yoto Ella Mrs to Sam Knox, Nov. 25, '02, 11th wd, Pgh, 22x84, Overhill st 3,200

Arras Peter H to Wm A Seibert, Oct. 30, '02, Monongahela, 20x100, ave.. 1,500

Hamnett T L to W S B Hays, Dec. 5, '02, Homestead, 60x150, Mifflin st... 4,250

Burroughs Hamilton S to Wm Sheaffer, Dec. 1, '02, 16th wd, Pgh, 20x90, St. Clair st 7,000

Kenan Emma L ex. to Robt Kesler, Dec. 2, '02, 12th wd, Ally, Yetta ave.... 2,200

Mansfield Jas H Co. to Wm P Foster, Nov. 1, '02, Carnegie, 240x247, Washington st 10,600

Woodside Robt ex to Chas Dyer, Sept. 27, '02, Pleasant Hills, Hamilton ave.. 500

Grimes Jas F ex. to Emerson L Mills, Sept. 9, '02, Chartiers twp, 37x52, Madison ave 700

Burgh Jno Geo to Henry Braun, Dec. 2, '02, 3d wd, Ally, 24x57, James st .. 5,000

Steinberg L Julius to Simon H Frey, Aug 18, '02, Scott twp, 100x375, Thompson st 1,000

Lorch Hugs ex. to August Jonnett, Nov. 6, '02, 21st wd, Pgh, 20x146, Westmoreland st 2,400

Wiese Wm to Daniel R Lean, Nov. 18, '02, 19th wd, Pgh, 31x112, Collins ave

Alston Thos S et al. to Margaret Dawson, Dec. 2, '02, 13th wd, Pgh, 40x110, 33d st 7,500

McCord Thos F ex. to Patrick F Leonard, Dec. 2, '02, 6th wd, McKeesport, 25x77, 5th ave 4,000

Mutual Sav. F. & L. A. to Geo P Graf, Oct. 29, '02, 21st wd, Pgh, 22x100, Meadow st 15,000

Thomas David P ex. to Jacob Shapiro, Oct. 31, '02, 19th wd, Pgh, 102x165, Reed st 2,200

Wenke Dan'l to Max Pearlman, Nov. 18, '02, 22d wd, Pgh, 80x166, Carson st 5,400

Eichenlaub Jno ex to Isaac H Weaver, Nov. 11, '02, 21st wd, Pgh, 25x30, Kedron ave 6,000

Watson Wm G ex. to Jno J McDermott, Dec. 4, '02, 20th wd, Pgh, 26x85, Filbert st 4,250

Richardson Mary ex. to T S Williams, Oct. 15, '02, 11th wd, Pgh, 24x110, Ashton ave 6,000

Cook Sam'l H ex. to Wm Kane, Sept. 10, '02, 5th wd, Pgh, 20x80, Tunnel st 2,150

Smith Owen to Thos Fitzgerald, Oct. 20, '02, 22d wd, Pgh, 25x96, Hastings ave 125,000

Harvey Edw C ex. to Mary Kane, June 18, '02, E Pgh, 50x114, Bessemer a.. 600

Wylie Dan'l W to Jas M Giles, Nov. 28, '02, 19th wd, Pgh, 27x80, Willeslev ave 5,500

Frederick Jno N ex. to Otis B Lane, Nov. 24, '02, 38th wd, Pgh, 50x102, Chalfont st 6,500

Young Howard S to David Rosser, Dec. 4, '02, Baldwin twp, 82x174, Boulevard

Graham Robt F to Jas M Lippincott, Oct. 18, '02, 6th wd, Ally, 22x69, Beaver ave 900

Chadwick Land Imp Co to Mary E Kirk, Oct. 31, '02, 21st wd, Pgh, 51x86, Lexington ave 2,750

Frederick Jno N ex. to Otis B Lane, Nov. 24, '02, 38th wd, Pgh, 50x102, Chalfont st 725

Young Howard S to David Rosser, Dec. 4, '02, Baldwin twp, 82x174, Boulevard

Graham Robt F to Jas M Lippincott, Oct. 18, '02, 6th wd, Ally, 22x69, Beaver ave 900

Chadwick Land Imp Co to Mary E Kirk, Oct. 31, '02, 21st wd, Pgh, 51x86, Lexington ave 2,750

Frank Louis ex to Dan'l R Kelly, Nov. 4, '02, 32d wd, Pgh, 25x72, Whitworth st 550

Mortgages Recorded.

James Harry A to Rose B & L A, Dec 10, '02 ..... $ 1,100

Vomdran George to Allentown Turn B & L A, Dec 9, '02 1,500

Cross Saml J to Fch Central B & L A, Dec 15, '02 1,450

Challinor Wm to Traction B & L A, Dec 16, '02 2,100

Foerster John to West Penn B & L A, Dec 13, '02 5,500

Nichols H E to Bridgeville B & L A, Dec 12, '02 13,000

Nehigan Moritvitz to Colonial Trust Co, Dec 8, '02 6,000

McCullough Anna M to Pgh Trust Co, Dec 12, '02 3,200

Miller Charles C to Germania Sav Bk, Dec 13, '02 1,000

Pascoia Peter A to Fidelity T & T Co, Nov 22, '02 400

Westerman George R to Tarentum S & T Co, Dec 15, '02 1,200

Bauer J Wolfgang to East End S & T Co, Dec 15, '02 1,000

*Duckroth Amelia to Non-Air Land Co, Dec 1, '02 3,800

Goodman John B to T E Pittock, Dec 8, '02 400

*Frazier John to J McClure, Dec 11, '02

Panke Wm F to J Miller, Dec 8, '02..

Buserllo John to Serafino Brothers, Dec 16, '02 600

Housley Geo W to M E Lashley et al, Dec 15, '02 600

Bellenbacher John to H Wristman, Dec 9, '02 1,300

Crow Martha J to E Schoepflin, Dec 10, '02 2,000

*Oates Richard to A H Wilson, Oct 27, '02 1,650

Davis Wm H to O Darlington, Dec 15, '02 2,000

Lennox Snowden G et al to E C Ertzman, Dec 16, '02 1,000

*McCormick J Woods to J Fedder, Dec 3, '02 1,500

Sielkin Robt to E Epstein, Dec 16, '02..

Houston Mary A to D K Brownson, Dec 1, '02 2,200

*Freeman Henry H to J F Miller, Aug 6, '02 5,400

Dawson Margaret to P A Kilgallon, Dec 2, '02 2,000

Rigby Edward A to A Horst, Dec 15, '02 600

Hupperger Lulu to W E Askin, Dec 15, '02 600

Elrily M M to G Rudge, Dec 5, '02..... 500

Mellott Geo W to M M Hartley, Dec 13, '02 4,500

Fabry Minnie to J G Kelly, Dec 15, '02 800

McCabe Chas B to same, Dec 15, '02...

Stein Esther M to J K Irwin, Dec 15, '02 1,200

Hartman Jno G to Peoples B & L A, Dec 13, '02 2,700

Keyz Ada to Coraopolis S & L A, Dec 13, '02 1,700

McKim Philomena to Keystone State B & L A, Dec 10, '02 1,800

*Purchase money. 2,000

The Drygoods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—There have not been any further reductions in bleached cottons today. The new prices have brought out an active demand and there may be a recovery in them before long. In other directions markets is dull at previous prices. Print cloths quiet and unchanged. Export buying of heavy brown cottons continues inactive, but more inquiry on China account is noted.

TIMOTHY HAY AGAIN MOVES FORWARD

Easier Conditions Prevail in the Egg Market—Christmas Decorations Active.

Dealers in hay and grain are doing a good business now, and the market is largely in their favor, conditions being such as to give the seller a material advantage over the buyer. Supplies of hay, although not large, are sufficient quantity to take care of requirements, are not heavy in any department, and a place is found for all receipts. Timothy hay is specially strong, another advance being made in No. 1 grade, yesterday, when sales were made at $17 50 without trouble. Grains all remained unchanged, with the situation very firm. Ear corn is arriving slowly, and offerings were light, with quotations firmly maintained. Oats are steady and rye is holding tightly to quotations, with not a great deal moving. Mill feed is slow at the moment, but prices are firm, and would likely go higher if demand were better.

Wheat in the western markets is well sustained in the advanced position taken last week, and flour is thereby held firm. Coffee is unchanged, primal markets presenting nothing in the way of special feature, the situation being free from excitement, with the general tendency in an easier direction for several days.

Improvement in Canned Tomatoes.

The decline of 10 points in the list of refined sugar quotations, which went into effect on Monday, is further proof that it is hard to understand the ways of refiners. It is but one week since an advance was made, that being close on the heels of one which had been made not long before, and dealers had not yet ceased to talk of the strength of the situation when along came a drop. Whether or not the lads now reached will be a lasting one, no man can tell. Other grocery stapies are unchanged.

Canned goods are just as they have been for over a month, there being no signs of anything a slightly improved demand for tomatoes, with a firmer tone to prices. Dried fruits are steady at former quotations. In primal markets an active interest is noted for the more prominent articles. A somewhat stronger feeling is observed in farrants, and further sales have been picked up from weak holders, improving the situation. Raisins are in fair request, with advices from the Pacific coast long before, and dealers feel easy. Prunes are active as quoted, with purchasing steady in small lots. Apricots and peaches are quiet, but fairly steady, enough demand going to support quotations, which are unchanged.

Christmas Greens Move Briskly.

An excellent trade, all things considered, is noticeable in Christmas greens. The weather is decidely against business in this line, but there is not forgetful of the fact that there will likely be a sharp turn in the direction of decorations for the holidays by the latter part of this week, and many retail are covering requirements. Prices are holding their own, but are no higher.

Fruits and produce are steady, with a moderate volume of business going. Trade is principally for small lots for immediate wants. The lemon market is easier, with prices in the east more in line.

Poultry remained yesterday at prices ruling on Monday, live chickens offering at 12 cents in fair lots. Turkeys are unchanged and are not in much demand this week.

Fresh eggs are in an uncertain condition. Nominal quotations are unchanged, but there have been days since the opening of the week at concessions, a decidedly easier feeling prevailing throughout the market. If receipts keep up the increase already noted there will be lower quotations.

HAY GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts—Baltimore & Ohio, 4 cars, 12 cars hay, 8 cars oats, 8 cars corn, 2 cars rye, 2 cars feed, 1 car straw; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, 8 cars hay, 1 car rye, 1 car oats; Pittsburgh & Western railroad, 10 cars hays, 4 cars oats, 1 car straw, 1 car corn; total receipts, 51 cars.

No. 1 tim...$17.00@17.50
do No. 2 ..... 15.00@16.00
No. 1 clov.$12.50@13.00
do mixed$14.00@14.50
Loose, from
wagon ..$16.00@17.00
Straw, oat..$8.50@9.00
do wheat..$8.50@9.00
do rye ..$9.50@10.00
Corn, new No. 2 yel-
low shell.....54@54c
do high mix..51@52c
do No. 3 yellow..49@50c
No. 2 new, yel-
low ear.....55@56c

do high mix..53@54c
do No. 3 mix..51@52c
No. 2 white,
Michigan .....59@60c
Oats, No. 2,
white .....37½@38c
do extra No.
3 .....35½@37c
do No. 3 white..33½@35c
White mid'lgs, No.
2, ton..$18.50@19.00
Brown mid'lgs,
No. 1 ton .....$17.50@18.00
Bran, ton..$17.00@17.50

NUTS.

Almonds, lb.....14@16c	Chestnuts, small,
Filberts, lb.....12c	lb .....4@5c
Walnuts, En-	do large .....9@10c
glish, lb.....12@14c	Shellbarks,
do black, bu..75@80c	bu .....$2.50@3.00
Pecans, lb.....11@12c	Peanuts, fancy...$1.35
Brazil nuts, lb..10@11c	do choice $1.15
Mixed nuts, lb..11@12c	

HONEY.

White comb.....17@18c	N. Y. white
Buckwheat ....14@16c	clover .....18@19c

GROCERIES.

Flour, fancy	do kegs.....$2.55
spg pat.$4.20@4.25	Oatmeal, bbl.....$5.25
do fancy winter	do kegs.....$2.50
patent ...$3.80@4.00	Sugar, stan. gran...5.00c
do straight	do fine 5.00c
winter ...$3.70@3.80	do 2-lb cartons..5.20c
do bakers	do 5lb cot. bags..5.15c
spring ...$3.45@3.60	do powdered 5.15c
do rye.....$3.45@3.60	do pow'd. xxxx..5.15c
Graham.$4.00@4.50	do cubes 5.25c
Corn'm'l, bbl.$3.50@3.60	do cut loaf 5.25c
do 10-lb. cot-	do confec. A..4.85@4.85c
ton bags....19@20c	do No. 1 yellow.4.55c
Rolled oats,	do No. 2 yellow.4.55c
bbl $4.85	do No. 3 yellow.4.50c
do pkgs....$2.20@3.10	

(Sugar quotations are for Pittsburgh and Allegheny wagon delivery. Add 9 cents per 100 pounds for rail shipments to points within a radius of 50 miles of Pittsburgh.)

Coffee, roasted,	bu .....$2.50@2.55
bulk, Rio 10½@12c	do navy,
do Santos 22½@23½c	imp. ....$2.35@2.45
do maracai-	do red kid.$3.35@3.50
bo .....17@17½c	do Cal. lima,
do Peaberry..17@18c	lb .....5½@5¾c
do Caracas.19@19½c	Peas, dried,
do Gol. Rio.13½@14c	bu .....$1.80@1.85
do fancy ....20@20c	do scotch,
do Mocha 25½c	bu .....$1.85@1.90
do std. pkg 9.55c	do split, lb.....4c
do high grade	Oil, carbon,
pkgs..14.30@16.20c	110 deg 11½c
Molasses, fancy	do headlight.....12½c
refined .....55@57c	do water white..12½c
do choice.....52@55c	do Elaine.....10½c
do fancy.....26@29c	do Ohio W. W.
do open ket..40@43c	test 12½c
Syrup, fancy	do miners....26@32c
sugar .....30@32c	do gravity
do sugar and	test .....28@43c
cane ....28@31c	Rice, ext. fancy,
do 2½-lb cans,	head, lb...7½@7¾c
doz $1.05	do fancy Japan..5½c
do 3-lb cans,	do choice Caro-
doz $1.20	lina .....6@6¼c
do 5-lb cans,	do prime Caro-
doz $2.10	lina .....4@5¼c
do 10-lb cans,	Salt, No. 1 ....$1.00
doz $3.80	No. 1 extra..$1.10
Maple syrup,	do dairy.....$1.00
gal .....60@90c	do gran. rock,
Beans, prime navy,	sack 95c
bu .....$2.75@2.95	do pocket..$1.65@1.85
do navy,	

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, std pie.80@85c	Gooseberries .95c@$1.00
do 2s .....$2.50@3.00	Tomatoes,
do Califor.	standard..$1.02@1.10
L. C.....$1.90@2.35	do fancy...$1.20@1.30
do Mary-	do gal.....$3.65@3.75
land .....$1.15@1.65	Succotash, 1-lb
do Cal. Y	Cans .....85c@$1.40
F.....$1.80@2.00	Baked beans,
Corn, fancy..$1.15@1.30	tomato sc.85c@$1.40
do std.....95c@$1.10	Salmon, Alaska..$1.00@2.05
Cherries, Cal.	Chipped beef..$2.50@2.75
white ...$2.20@2.25	Corned and roast
Lima beans.$1.10@1.20	beef, 2-lb
do soaked .....75@80c	cans .....$2.45@2.50
String beans..65c@$1.25	do 1-lb
Peas, marrow-	cans .....$1.45@1.50
fat .....95c@$1.40	Mackerel,
do early	broiled ...$2.00@2.75
June ...$1.00@1.50	Sardines, domes-
do soaked .....55@65c	tic, ¼s....$3.00@3.65
Apples, N. Y.	do domestic, ½s
gal. cans.....$2.50	do French.$9.00@16.00
Pineapples ..$1.20@2.20	Oysters, 1-lb
Plums, damson...$1.00	full weight..85c@$1.25
do Californla...$1.40	do 1-lb lunch,
Raspberries ....85@95c	flat cans $1.10

DOMESTIC FRUITS.

Apples, Kings,	Cranberries, Cape
bbl .....$3.00@3.50	Cod, fcy..$2.75@3.00
Baldwins and Hub-	do choice..$2.50@2.75
bardston.$2.25@2.50	do bbl....$8.50@11.00
do greenings and	do crate .....$2.75@3.00
tulpins ....$1.25@1.75	Cal. Strawberries,
Pears, Kiefer,	pint .....50@60c
bbl .....$3.00@3.50	

CHRISTMAS GREENS.

Christmas trees,	Pine, 20-yard
each .....50c@$1.00	spools .....65@75c
Holly, crate.$2.75@3.25	Mistletoe, lb.....30@40c
Holly, wreaths,	Southern palms,
doz .....$1.50@1.75	doz .....$2.00@2.50
Smilax, per	Needle pines,
crate ....$4.00@5.00	doz .....$2.50@3.00
Moss, bbl...$2.50@4.00	Laurel, yd .....4@6c

TROPICAL FRUITS.

Lemons, Californ-	Cocoanuts,
nia .....$3.50@4.00	bags .....$2.75@3.25
do Messinas$3.00@4.00	Bananas,
Oranges, Cal. ....$2.00@3.00	large bch...$1.50@2.00
Oranges, Fla $3.00@3.50	do extra $2.00
do Jamaica$3.00@3.50	do eighths ..$1.25@1.50
do Cal.	do seconds.$1.00@1.25
Navel ...$3.50@4.00	Grapes, Malaga,
do Cal.	Key brand..$4.50@5.50
seed'gs $2.50@3.00	Grape fruit ..$5.00@7.00

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE.

Butter, prints.32@32½c	tubs .....13½@14c
do tubs.....31@31½c	do Wis. Swiss,
do Ohio-Pa.	tubs .....15½@16c
creamery .29@29½c	do 20-lb brick
do dairy .....23@24c	Swiss .....14@14½c
do country	do 5-lb brick.....14c
roll .....22@23c	do limberger.....13c
Cheese, N. Y. full	Eggs, fresh Pitts-
cream ....14@14½c	burg, per doz
do Ohio.....13½@14c	do candled.....27@28c
do ¾ cream 13c	do at mark...26@27c
do Ohio Swiss,	do storage, Apr. .23c
	do stor, June.....21c

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, choice,	Lettuce, home,
car lots bu.50@53c	doz .....50@60c
do fancy car-	do Ashtabula,
lots, bu.....55@58c	doz .....40@60c
do on track...65@70c	do head,
do ex-store...65@70c	bbl .....$5.00@6.00
Sweet potatoes, Va.	Endive, bbl..$4.00@4.50
bbl ....$2.25@2.50	Egg plant, Fla.
do boxes...$1.20@1.35	crate ....$1.75@2.00
do Jersey...$1.25@1.75	Turnips, bbl..$1.25@1.75
fancy ..$3.50@4.00	Garlic, lb.....7@10c
do red...$2.00@2.25	Carrots, bbl..$1.50@1.75
Onions, bbl..$2.00@2.25	do doz. bun..20@25c
do bu .....75@85c	String beans, green,
do green, doz.15@20c	basket ...$3.00@3.50
Cucumbers, hot-	do wax...$2.00@2.50
house,	Kohlrabi, 6z bch.50@60c
doz. ....$1.75@2.00	Cauliflower,
do Florida,	doz .....$1.50@2.50
basket ...$3.00@4.00	do bbl.....$4.00@5.00
Cabbage, Danish,	Squash, Hubbard,
ton ....$8.00@10.00	bbl .....$1.75@2.00
do domestic,	do marrow...75c@$1.00
ton .....$4.00@5.00	Parsnips, bbl$1.75@2.00
Beets, doz.....35@40c	Peppers, bbl.90c@$1.00
do bbl ....$2.00@2.50	Watercress, doz..80@85c
Parsley, doz.....30@40c	Florida tomatoes,
Radishes, doz.....25@35c	crate .....$2.00@2.50
Spinach, bu.....40@50c	Brussels sprouts,
Celery, doz.....30@50c	quart .....12@14c

DRIED FRUITS.

Apricots, evap.,	do Muscatel, 2
bags .....8½@9c	and 4-crown
do 25-lb boxes..9@12c	50-lb boxes ..7@8c
Apples, bulk 8c	do Ondara
do 3-lb car-	Val .....10@10½c
toms .....8½@9c	do Cal. Val.....8c
Peaches .....7@10c	Currants, cleaned,
Raspberries ..28@27½c	25 and 50-lb
Raisins, seeded,	pkgs .....6½@6¾c
1-lb pkgs.9½@9¾c	Prunes, Cal...3½@5¾c

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1	do quar. bbls...$3.00
mess, bbl $25.00	do half bbls...$1.50
do half bbls...$18.00	Lake herring, 100
do quar. bbls..$9.40	lbs $4.10
Mackerel, No. 2	do 50-lb quar...$1.55
bbls $27.00	do 10 lbs.....60c
do half bbls...$14.00	Bloaters, 50-box.....85c

SEEDS.

Clover, from store,	Millet .....$1.65@1.70
recleaned, 60-lb	Grass, Hungar-
bu small.$6.85@6.95	rian .....90c@$1.10
do mam-	do lawn, lb...18@20c
moth ...$6.85@7.05	do blue, 14-lb
do crim'n..$4.75@5.00	bu .....$1.50@1.75
do white	do red top,
Dutch $10.00@11.00	14-lb bu..$1.10@2.00
Alsike ....$10.00@10.50	Timothy ....$2.00@2.05
Alfalfa .....$7.10@7.20	

GAME.

Mallard ducks, pr.$1.75	Ptarmigans, pair..$2.50
Teal ducks, pair..$1.00	Blackcock, pair...$2.50
Redheads, pair...$1.50	Partridges, pair...$2.00
Canvasbks, pair..$2.75	Groundhogs, ea..25@50c
Squabs, doz..$3.25@3.50	Possums, each...35@50c
Rabbits, doz.....$1.75	Coons, each...75c@$1.00
Pigeons, doz.....$2.25	Rabbits, pair....40@50c
Squirrels, pair..80@85c	Sucking pigs,
Grouse, imp. pair..$2.50	each ....$3.25@3.50

POULTRY.

Live hens, lb...12@13c	Dressed hens.....15@16c
Springers .....12@13c	Spring ducks .....16@17c
Roosters .....9@10c	Broilers 20c
Turkeys, lb.....14c	Roosters 12c
Geese .....12@13c	Turkeys .....18@19c
Ducks 14c	Ducks 20c
do spring.....14c	do Long Island.20@22c

PROVISIONS.

Hams, large, 18	Breakfast bacon,
lbs and up.....12c	clears, 8 to
do medium, 14	10 lbs.....14½c
to 16 lbs...12½c	do 10 to 12 lbs..14½c
do small, 10 to	do back strips..13½c
14 lbs 12¾c	Dry salt sides, extra
do small, under	short clears...10¾c
10 lbs 13c	Bellies, 20 to 25
do skinned.....12¾c	lbs 10¾c
do boneless,	do 16 to 20 lbs.....11c
bolled 18½c	do 10 to 16 lbs.....11c
do California..10½c	Dry salt smoked
Shoulders, N. Y.	sides, extra
cut 10½c	short clears...11¾c
do California..8½c	Bellies, 20 to 25
Breakfast bacon,	lbs 11¾c
rib, 8 to 10	do 16 to 20 lbs.....12c
lbs 14c	do under 16 lbs...12c
do 10 to 12 lbs..13c	Lard, pure, tierces.11¾c
do back strips..13¾c	

HIDES.

No. 1 green steer,	Green salt or cured,
heavy 10c	No. 1 steers,
do light, under 60	over 60 lbs.....11c
lbs 9c	do No. 2 .....10c
all weights 7c	Cows and light
No. 1 green bulls..7c	steers 8½c
Calfskin, No. 1....16c	Calfskins, No. 1....11c
do No. 2.....8c	do No. 2.....9½c

HORSE MARKET.

The holiday season is having its effect upon the horse market, which is quiet, with business dragging. A large amount of stock is offering, but buyers are few and are not inclined to pay much for purchases.

At the auction sale yesterday 200 horses were offered, and sold slowly at prices fully $10 a head lower than those which have been ruling for the past two or three weeks. Even at these figures there was no disposition shown by bidders to make any very great effort to obtain stock.

ALL GRAINS ARE LOWER IN CHICAGO MARKETS

Unloading by Prominent Long in Wheat Is Signal for Others to Sell.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Wheat ruled weak today on easier cables and better weather in the northwest. The weakness of outside markets and the general inactivity of the market, due to some extent to the poor condition of telegraph wires, were also depressing influences. The leading long ostensibly enlarged on his line, but it was supposed that was selling through brokers, and this fact induced others to sell. Primary receipts were 831,000 bushels, against 553,000 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 330 cars, which—with local receipts of 94 cars, 1 of contract grade—made total receipts for the three points of 633 cars, against 613 last week and 686 cars a year ago.

Increased receipts caused heavy liquidation in December corn and there was a break of 2½c in that delivery early in the day, and although covering by scattered shorts caused a rally later in the session the general situation was easier. Reports from the country were bearish, stating that the majority of elevators were filled with corn, and the shortage in cars was the only drawback to the marketing of the same. Lower cables, better weather and an increase in Bradstreet's visible supply were also depressing influences. A fair demand existed for May and with offerings moderate that option was comparatively steady. Local receipts were 563 cars, with 13 of contract grade.

Oats were easy under rather free selling of long property by commission houses. An easier tone to the cash market had a depressing effect on the speculative trade. Trade was only moderate. Local receipts were 379 cars.

Provisions opened firm on higher prices for hogs at the yards, but local realizing caused a slight decline. A fair demand for January lard was a supporting influence and the close was steady.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 60 cars; corn, 255 cars; oats, 180 cars; hogs, 32,000 head.

The leading futures as corrected by John D. Armstrong & Co., 200 Stock street, members of Chicago board of trade:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'r-day's Close.
WHEAT					
No. 2					
Dec.	75¼	75¾	74¾	74½	75⅝
May	77⅞	77⅞	76¾	77⅛	77⅝
July	74¼	74¾	73⅝	74	74⅝
CORN					
No. 2					
Dec.	55	55	52½	53	55
May	47¼	47¼	46½	46⅝	47⅝
July	43⅝	43⅝	43⅛	43⅜	43⅝
OATS					
No. 2					
Dec.	31¾	31¾	31¼	31¼	31¾
May	33¼	33¼	32⅝	32⅝	33¼
MESS-PORK					
Jan.	16 77½	16 80	16 67½	16 67½	16 72½
May	15 72½	15 80	15 62½	15 65	15 67½
LARD.					
Dec.	10 25	10 25	10 20	10 20	10 27½
Jan.	9 75	9 77½	9 72½	9 72½	9 72½
May	9 22½	9 23	9 12½	9 12½	9 20
SHORT RIBS					
Jan.	8 45	8 47½	8 40	8 40	8 45
May	8 37½	8 37½	8 30	8 30	8 35

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour slow, unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 74@76c; No. 3, 71@71¼c; No. 3 red, 74½@75¼c. No. 2 corn, 52¾c; No. 2 yellow, 52¾c. No. 2 oats, 31¼c; No. 3 white, 31½@32¾c. No. 2 rye, 49c. Good feeding barley, 37@41c. Fair to choice malting, 45@55c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 17; No. 1 northwestern, $1 25. Prime timothy seed, $3 65. Mess pork, per bbl, $16 80. Lard, per 100 lbs, $10 20@10 27½. Short ribs sides (loose), $8 20@8 75; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8 25@8 50; short clear sides (boxed), $8 75@9 00. Clover, contract grade, $10 75.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	31,700	28,700
Wheat, bushels

GREAT INCREASE IN RAIL TRAFFIC

State Bureau Produces Big Figures in Steam Road Business.

NOT EQUAL TO DEMANDS

Transportation Requirements Far Exceed the Large Additions to Rolling Stock and the Employment of More Workmen.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

HARRISBURG, Dec. 16.—"Great as has been the volume of business transacted, the number of passengers and tons of freight carried, and great as has also been the apparent necessary increase of the number of employes, some of the leading railroads have been practically unable to discharge the functions of common carriers to answer the demands of commerce," says Maj. Isaac B. Brown, chief of the state bureau of railways, in his annual report upon the steam railways operating in Pennsylvania.

"No matter how great the facilities of some steam railroad companies may be from the increased number of locomotives, of cars, and of employes," Maj. Brown continues, "yet the demands of transportation appear to have been increased at a greater rate, for railroad companies, at least so far as freight is concerned, have not been able to deliver with their usual promptitude the great tonnage of commodities brought to them for transportation."

"The Pennsylvania railroad, with an equipment which certainly far surpassed that of any other railroad in the world, came into contact only a few days ago with a proposition at Pittsburgh that never before confronted that corporation, much less any other common carrier."

Maj. Brown's report shows that the total amount of compensation paid to the employes of the steam railways in this state during the year was $215,963,278. In the past two years there has been an increase, of over 22 per cent in the number of employes of railways and 22 per cent in the total compensation paid.

Increase in Dividends.

The total amount of dividends paid by steam railways for the year was $50,362,063. The dividends paid this year exceeded by $11,751,247 the amount paid as dividends for the previous year. After the payment of the operating expenses and other expenses, including the payment of dividends, the business of the year shows a total surplus of $26,345,057.

The total number of employes on the railways reporting to the bureau is 377,798, showing an increase for two years of 70,061. On this subject Maj. Brown says: "In 1894, when there was a period of business depression, there were but a few over 175,000 men employed on these railroads."

The total tonnage transported of all classifications last year was 524,728,563, an increase in two years of 45,733,225 tons, and in one year of 46,043,880 tons. The returns to the bureau show that in the last two or three years there has been a reduction in tonnage of the products of agriculture carried by the railways reporting to the bureau. The total number of tons carried of freight earning revenue during the year was 524,728,563.

Earnings and Expenditures.

For the year covered by the report the total receipts designated as passenger earnings amounted to $138,151,672, an increase in passenger earnings over the previous year of $23,374,243. The freight earnings for the year aggregated $381,458,849. The total earnings and income, which includes not only the passenger revenue, freight earnings, other earnings from operations and income as interest on bonds and dividends on stocks, amounted to $587,018,587. The total expenditures for the year, exclusive of dividends, was $514,100,934.

Maj. Brown concludes his report with the following comments on accidents:

"Abundance of time was given the great common carrier corporations to equip their cars with safety appliances, and the time limit has passed, and the presumption is that the appliances which are provided for by the national laws have been placed upon all cars carrying commodities and passengers between states. When all has been done that national and state legislation can accomplish, when the most strict regulations shall have been adopted, and be indeed executed by railway managers, the hazard to life and limb, especially to employes, will still exist to a very great degree, and it is safe to say that the hazard to life and limb can never be eliminated, as the occupation of a railway employe, under most favorable conditions, is fraught with much danger."

Lecture on Shakespeare's Tragedies.

Prof. Richard Green Moulton of the University of Chicago delivered the last lecture of the present series on "Studies in Shakespeare's Tragedies," last evening before the Allegheny University Extension society, his subject being "Tragedy in General." The society has engaged Dr. Moulton for a second series of lectures on "Studies in Shakespeare's Tragedies" next fall. It has also engaged Prof. William C. Wilcox of the University of Iowa to deliver a series of six lectures on "Europe in the Nineteenth Century," to be delivered in the lecture room of the Carnegie library, Allegheny, beginning January 6.

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PRAYING IN RELAYS.

Members of Wylie Avenue Church Have Unusual Method of Raising Funds.

The Wylie Avenue church has just been presented with a cash gift of $12,000 from one whose name is withheld by the pastor, the Rev. C. H. Pridgeon. The latter said yesterday that all the money necessary in managing the church and its allied societies is secured through the medium of prayers. No collections are taken at any time. The method of praying is rather an odd one.

For three hours each morning prayers are offered up continuously, various members relieving one another at frequent intervals. Members of the church declare that all the gifts secured by the church in the past few months have been but answers to their prayers.

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Persons who regard the furnishment of the dining room as unimportant are becoming fewer every day.

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This Sideboard is made of golden oak—72 inches long, 27 inches deep and 77 inches high. The mirror is 56 by 21 inches and is beveled.

In addition to the immense assortment of staple furniture, the range of gift articles is very wide. In fact, there are more handsome things here in the way of odd pieces, gold furniture, etc., than ever before. The stock affords an unexampled opportunity for choosing articles appropriate for gifts.

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WOMEN'S $1.00 GLACE KID GLOVES, one row embroidery, white, black and all the seasonable shades, Xmas special at..... 75c
WOMEN'S $1.25 and $1.50 SUEDE AND GLACE KID GLOVES, in black, white and all the popular shades; nothing more acceptable for an Xmas present; per pair.... $1.00

An Immense Purchase and Sale of Fur Scarfs and Fur Coats.

Stocks of Hermann Baehr & Co., 5 Union Square, New York City.

This above firm is known far and wide by dealers as leaders in the trade. The continued warm spell this season left them with far more furs on hand than usual. Knowing of our large outlet they made us a great concession in price if we would relieve them of their entire stock. Fortunately for the women of Pittsburgh we were in a position to take up the proposition, and hence we can offer elegant furs just at a time when they are wanted at interesting prices—for we can save you an average of 33 per cent. on any of these rich fur pieces. Nothing is more elegant or likely to be appreciated as a Xmas gift than handsome furs—and this is an unexampled opportunity to buy.

Axsala Seal Coats.

The nearest fur to genuine sealskin in appearance and durability. Made of evenly matched skins and cut in the latest shapes. Long or short revers. Pointed or round rolling collar. Flaring or turn-back cuffs. Lined with guaranteed satin. Perfect fitting coats in combination fur trimmings or plain; 20 and 22 inches long. Prices range at $65, $60, $50, $45 and

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Made up in cluster effects, of stone marten, opossum or nutria furs. Trimmed with six fluffy tails. Special offering at..... $2.98

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Choice of an immense lot of Australian sable or marten scarfs; made up in cluster or boa styles; trimmed with fluffy tails; worth $6. Special at..... $3.98

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Mink and marten cluster scarfs, trimmed with fluffy tails. Fox boas in Isabella or sable shades. Scarfs which fur stores ask $7 and $8 for, here at..... $5.00

FUR SCARFS.
Made of nutria, marten and Australian hare, in double lengths, Victorine or boa shapes, all new. $10 and $12 value at our price of..... $7.98

FUR SCARFS.
Genuine mink and marten cluster scarfs, trimmed with natural tails. Also fox boas in light or dark shades. A large selection at the attractive price of..... $10.00

FUR BOAS.
Double lengths, made of selected fox skins, in light or dark shades. Also mink or marten, in various lengths, trimmed with tails. A splendid selection at..... $15.00

FUR MUFFS.
Prime genuine chinchilla, three striped, soft elderdown bed and satin lining. Neat, round shape. Exclusive fur stores would ask $22.50. Here at..... $16.50

FOX MUFFS.
Light or dark fox skins, new round shape, soft bed and satin lined. Fur stores would ask $15. You can choose here at..... $10.00

Girls' and Misses' Fur Sets, from $1.98 to $25.00.

FUR SETS—SPECIAL.
Double boa and round fluffy muff. Made of selected fox skins, in sable or Isabella shades. Scarf trimmed with long brushes, muff satin lined. A $35 value at..... $25.00

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Prime American foxes, in light or dark shades. Soft, fluffy fur in long boa styles. A large selection of the choicest furs ever offered at..... $20.00

SQUIRREL SCARFS.
New shaped flat boas, medium length, trimmed with tails. Furriers ask $15 for these handsome scarfs. We charge but..... $10.00

FUR COATS.
Electric seal, evenly matched, new revers and collar. Bell shaped sleeves, lined with guaranteed satin, jaunty length. Special value at..... $25.00

FUR COATS.
Made of selected nearseal skins, evenly matched; new sleeves and cuffs, guaranteed lining; cut with dip front, and attractive offering at..... $30.00

FUR COATS.
Made of selected nearseal and with choice beaver lapels and collar. Dip front and bell sleeves. Perfectly finished and rare value at..... $42.50

FUR COATS.
Made of selected nearseal skins, with genuine mink revers and collar; the revers can be worn in three ways. Rolling collar; perfect fitting coats, and exceptional value at..... $50.00

FUR COATS.
Persian lamb skins, lustrous medium or small curl, Leipsig dye; lined with black silk, cut in newest shape and equal to the fur stores' $125 coats. Here..... $75.00

Angora Fur Sets for children, 98c.

Genuine Sealskin Coats.

Made of selected skins, guaranteed London dye, cut in 20, 22 or 24 inch lengths, latest styles with new revers, high rolling collar and dip front. Lined with dark silks. Flare or rolling cuffs. A great saving on fur store prices is assured. See our special offerings at $275.00, $200.00 and

$150.

Big Purchase of Silk Waists.

5,000 Waists bought away under price and now placed on sale.

SILK WAISTS.
Immense variety of new styles of French taffeta, Louisine, Peau de Sole and Moire Silks, in blue, red, pink, brown, castor, white and black. Also stripes and checks. Some hemstitched, pleated and corded. New puff sleeves, fancy collar. All neatly made—worth $5.00 and $6.00. Choice..... $3.98

WOMEN'S WAISTS.
Heavy taffeta, soft silks and Peau de Soie in various new shades; also white and black. Fancy yokes, tailor-pleated, embroidered or plainly finished. Also a fine lot of velvet or prunella cloths in newest colors and styles. New sleeves and collar, flowing ties. $7 and $8 values, at..... $5.98

Monte Carlo Coats.

A rare offering of about 20 styles of Women's and Misses' Monte Carlo Coats, with or without shoulder capes; pleated, strapped or English box backs. Collarless or half standing military collar. Pouch sleeves, fancy or plain buttons. Made of best quality kersey and lined throughout with guaranteed satin; $16 and $18 values. Choice..... $12.00

Great Wrapper Sale Continued.

HOUSE WRAPPERS.
This important wrapper deal was announced last week, and phenomenal sales have resulted. Hundreds of women have been buying three and four wrappers, such are the splendid values offered at this sale.
House Wrappers—Choice of many new styles in fleece lined flannelette wrappers, in black and white, blue and white, gray, red and other neat patterns. Trimmed with ruffles and narrow embroideries; separate waist lining; every seam finished and deep flounce on skirt. Also a splendid selection of heavy wash percales. Regular $1.50 and $1.75 wrappers..... 98c

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Made of neat striped or fancy flannelettes, trimmed with lace, ruffles or embroideries. Fitted backs, loose from the neck. New cuffs and extra wide flounce on skirt. $2 values at sale price of..... $1.50

HOUSE WRAPPERS.
Heavy French flannelettes, in the choicest patterns ever seen in wrappers. Trimmed with velvet and satin ribbons. Circular flounce. $3.00 values, at..... $1.98

Women's Neckwear, Etc.

Neck Ruffs—An immense selection of dainty designs, ranging in price from $1.00 to $20.00.

Bishop Stock Collars—Hundreds of new and beautiful effects. Priced at 50c, 75c, $1.00 up to $2.00.

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Wicker Baskets—With a good bottle of perfume—at 10c, 15c and 25c.

Fancy Baskets—With 2 bottles of good perfumes—at 48c, 75c and 98c.

Fancy Boxes—With one and two bottles of perfume—at 15c, 25c and 50c.

Imperial Toilet Water—An extra large bottle—10c.

Collar and Cuff Boxes—In red, black or tan leather—75c to $5.00.

Hand Bags—In real sea lion; colors black and tan—made with inside pocket—50c and $1.00.

Women's Silk Ties—Made with hemstitched ends—50c.

Women's Stock Ties—Styles the latest. Prices range from 50c to $5.00.

Exquisite Millinery at 25 Per Cent on the Dollar

Purchased from the Penna. R. R. Co.

Sixteen cases of millinery were shipped by a Pittsburgh jobbing house to a large retail millinery store in Wheeling, W. Va., via P. R. R. They were delayed in transit and the party refused to accept them, and threw them back on the railroad company. We bought them from the railroad at our own price—about 25 per cent of their true value. The stock consists of

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$1.00 for Trimmed Hats intended to sell for $5.00.
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25c for Untrimmed Hats intended to sell for $2.00.
48c for Ready-to-Wear tailor-made Hats intended to sell for $2.50 and $3.00.
75c for Ready-to-Trim Hats intended to sell at $3.00.
98c for Black Velvet and Silk Hats intended to sell at $2.50, $3.00 and $3.50.
$1.98 for Beaver Hats, black, white and colors, intended to sell at $3.00 and $4.00.
25c and 48c for Children's School Hats, intended to sell at $1.00 and $1.50
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10c for fancy Feathers, Wings, Pompons, Breasts, etc., intended to sell at 75c and 98c.
25c for Birds, Wings, Fancy Feathers of all kinds, intended to sell up to $2.50.
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98c for long black Amazon Plumes intended to sell at $1.98.
$1.50 for long Amazon Plumes intended to sell at $2.98.
$3.98 for long Amazon Plumes intended to sell at $8.00 and $10.00.
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SOLID CELLULOID COLLAR AND CUFF BOXES, fancy embossed decorations. Special Holiday Price..... 45c

COMB AND BRUSH SET, in fancy celluloid case. Special Holiday Price..... 50c

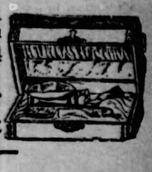
COMB, BRUSH AND MIRROR TOILET SETS, in embossed celluloid cases. Special Holiday Price..... 98c

PHOTO ALBUMS, plush back and celluloid top cover. Colored decorations and gilt edged leaves. Special Holiday Price..... 50c

EMBOSSED LEATHER COVERED PHOTO ALBUMS, inside leaves decorated in gold; new patent gilt clasp. Special Holiday Price..... 98c

MEN'S SHAVING SETS, in fancy celluloid cases, containing mug and good lather brush. Special Holiday Price..... $1.00

SMOKERS' SETS in satin lined celluloid case; complete with pipe, cigar and cigarette holder, and cigar cutter. Special Holiday Price..... $1.24



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PING PONG — Complete sets of the popular game—special at..... 98c

DOLL HOUSES—Well constructed, handsomely lithographed front and side; special at..... 50c

WASH SETS—Child's wooden Laundry Sets—Sad Irons, Coffee Mills, etc.; choice..... 10c

WASH WRINGERS—Child's hardwood frame Wash Wringers—the $1 size, special at..... 69c

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25 PER CENT OFF On All Framed Pictures.

PRINTING PRESSES—Boys' complete Printing Press, type, cards and ink; special at..... 69c

Special Xmas Items From Jewelry Department.

This Woman's Chatelaine Watch, hard enamel, inlaid with gold, blue, green and red, chatelaine hook to match $6.50

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48c for Japanese China Sugar and Cream Sets, fancy shapes. Nicely decorated.
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25c for set 6 Thin Blown Table Tumblers.
$2.25 for Cabarets, richly illuminated colors. Novel shapes.

$10 for $14.50 Dinner Sets, finest quality American or English Porcelain, delicate floral spray decorations. Gold tracings, complete service for 12 persons.

$1.48 for Decorated China Lobster or Chicken Salad Dishes.
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$1.25 for choice Tete-a-tete Sets, including china tray.
50c for Decorated China Cracker Jars. Gold embellished.
$1.25 for Painted Miniature Panel Vases. Matt gold handles. Very special.
98c for French Bronze Figures, an everlasting ornament.

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Men's "Columbia" Slippers,

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MEN'S "FAUST" SLIPPERS—Tan, Vici Kid, kid lined throughout. The swellest Christmas footwear. Priced at $2.50. and..... $2.00

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Men's Bath Robes.
TURKISH ROBES, finished with hood or collar, in fancy striped patterns. Special Holiday offering at..... $1.98
MEN'S BATH ROBES of Terry Cloths, Elderdown and Blanket Flannels in stripes, figures and solid colors. Trimmed to match —useful gifts. Priced from..... $3.98 to $15

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MEN'S AND BOYS' HEAVY RIBBED WOOL SWEATERS—double roll collars—navy blue or black—price... $1.00

MEN'S AND BOYS' HIGH GRADE PURE WORSTED SWEATERS—Plain colors or fancy stripes with high roll collars —Price..... $1.50